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"I still believe the only chance for the human race to survive is to give up such pleasures as war, racism, and private profit." Pete Seeger

Columbia Capital Medical Center

Profits Before People?

Christina Wellman

"Healthcare has never worked like this before."

Both Columbia/HCA's stockholders who enjoyed a 55 percent per share increase between fiscal years 1995 and 1996 and the two patients in Florida which Columbia/HCA allegedly released without properly screening because they were unable to pay would probably agree with the corporation's motto. Indeed the healthcare industry at large reflects Columbia's profit increase as well as a decrease in money spent on impoverished patients. Modern Healthcare reports that 1994 saw a 17.3 percent jump in average hospital profits even as the amount spent on indigent care dropped for the first time in ten years.

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The rise in profits has largely been fueled by the increase of hospital mergers. The nation's hospitals, pushed by the exigencies of competing with health-maintenance organizations and negotiating with insurance companies, have chosen to downsize and consolidate services to cut administration costs and make bulk deals with suppliers. According to *In These Times*, 447 community hospitals in 1995 were the focus of a merger or acquisition.

Unfortunately, as the two patients in Florida could attest, or the residents of Gilmer, TX, who have to travel 20 miles to the nearest hospital because their local hospital was bought by Columbia/HCA and then closed down, these cost-cutting mechanisms have not resulted in improved patient care. Two studies in the Southeastern US indicate that for-profit hospital chains such as Columbia/HCA provide less indigent care and charge more for the same services when compared to non-profit hospitals.

However, executives remain confident about the quality of care they give. One executive stated that Columbia\HCA owns or runs 17 of the top 100 hospitals nation wide. The chain's perspective is that they are expanding and doing their best to provide basic services while dealing with a depressed economy.

If simple growth is any measure of success, than Columbia has it made. The chain netted $1.5 billion in 1995 and owns ten percent of the nation's hospitals, as well as a growing chunk of insurers and professional liability companies.

As Susan Kent, public relations person for the Olympia-based Capital Columbia Medical Center explains, Columbia wishes to have a presence in all states because the chain is well-equipped to provide affordable, good quality care to the public. A highly mobile society encourages Columbia to build a "seamless network [that provides] continuity of care."

INFACT, a Boston-based corporate watchdog group which has been actively educating the public about illegal or unjust corporate practices for the last twenty years, has a different story to tell. INFACT's People's Annual Report for 1997 charges Columbia\HCA and four other corporations with corporate influence peddling that interferes with public health and safety. INFACT research reveals accusations that Columbia\HCA tried to monopolize two home healthcare markets in Texas and would not pay into the indigent-care trust fund in Florida, even though 35 percent of its revenue came from Medicare during 1996.

Susan Kent maintains that these accusations are only allegations—nothing has been proved in a court of law. Furthermore, Kent maintains that the local Columbia\HCA owned hospital has experienced none of the national pressure brought against the corporation because, "our focus is patient care, to provide services to the community."

Indeed, since Columbia acquired the Capital Medical Center in April of 1995, the Center has not reduced services but added many such as Geriatric and Psychiatric Care and Women's Services. Kent maintains that the hospital's focus will continue to be on improving existing health services. She states that hospital budgets everywhere are shrinking and that Columbia\HCA has responded to the challenge to provide more services and keep costs down by careful personnel management. "We have people to give good health care but not extra people... Prioritization, efficiency: that's how we have managed costs [and by] not letting people go."

However, Capital Columbia Medical Center's prices have expanded with their services. The Comprehensive Hospital Abstract Reporting System, published by the Washington State Department of Health, for the first half of 1996 lists Columbia's mean charge per day as just under $2,500, the highest in the region and higher even than the Children's Hospital, which provides many special services not found in general hospitals.

The mean charge per day for Medicare patients, who form more than one-third of Capital's patient totals, was twice that charged by Carondelet Psychiatric Center or Cascade Medical Center while the mean length of stay for Medicare patients was one-fifth the length of stay at the other two healthcare facilities. However, it should be noted that Carondelet and Cascade in general had higher lengths of stay than other area hospitals.

The healthcare industry certainly does seem to be changing, and Columbia is in the forefront of forging those changes. Yet is a "bottom-line approach to business" from a hospital chain with a goal of a 20 percent profit margin per hospital going to change the healthcare industry in a manner suitable for the public? As quoted in the People's Annual Report by a member of the Florida Healthcare Administration, there is no legal provision to stop Columbia\HCA from raising prices once they own a majority of a regional market. In this case, the seamless national care model would seem to resemble a monopoly on a profitable business rather than concern for public well-being.

Say "No" to No-Sitting On The Sidewalk Ordinance

Frank Hoffman

The Olympia City Council on Tuesday, June 10, at 7pm will begin the process to pass an ordinance against sitting on the sidewalk downtown.

Downtown Olympia has narrow sidewalks. Two people stopping to talk with each other cause other pedestrians to detour around them. The people who will glare at the stand up sidewalk talkers seem to go ballistic at the people sitting.

It's true that if the sidewalk sitters don't hunker their legs when foot traffic is thick; that a sort of obstacle course is created that requires civility to negotiate. Some people see the need to be polite as a kind of control game on the part of the sitters; and the need to say, "Excuse me," to teenagers seems to anger these pedestrians. It appears the sidewalk sitters are threatening to them. The sitters don't look nice. If they were nice, they'd be home watching TV or cruising in cars, not sitting on the sidewalks and wearing nose rings. It's believed the nose rings scare away significant numbers of potential downtown shoppers, thus threatening the economic viability of our pleasant downtown.

And so the sitters may face a $50 ticket if the ordinance is passed by the Council on the 10th, if they don't stand up and/or move away when told to do so by the police. There are

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LETTERS, ETC.

Death Penalty Won't Silence Unabomber's Plea

Killing is *wrong*, period.

(Except, of course, when it's done in the name of God and Country).

The Unabomber was *wrong* when he killed those people - right? So, following exquisite logic, Attorney General Janet Reno has decided that the *best* way that we can convey this important message to our children, is to kill him (in the name of God and Country).

Today, I read with great interest the news that the chief Unabomber suspect, Ted Kaczynski, is to be murdered by our government. When I saw this portentous headline, I was not at all surprised, America's blood-thirsty "Justice" System has shown itself to be unquenchable again and again, but I'll admit to sharing the disappointment of the victim-to-be's immediate family.

Despite the enormous monetary burden which capital punishment places upon our federal coffers, we are a nation hell-bent on revenge. Never mind that "an eye for an eye soon leaves the whole world blind," we are living in what is irrefutably the most violent nation ever to have existed on the face of this poor planet.

Inspired, I visited the town's (fully adequate) library, re-read Thoreau's "A Plea for Captain John Brown," and was struck by the number of parallels between these two controversial men. Abolitionist Brown's failed raid on the government arsenal at Harper's Ferry cost him his neck, just as the Unabomber's failed efforts to waken a sleeping nation will probably prove fatal to him.

That Kaczynski is a "madman" is beyond dispute, but his mad-ness is well-justified. The Unabomber saw the utter craziness of our current path . . . below-cost timber sales raping what was once a magnificently lush heritage, and everywhere people racing towards our own self-destruction, while technology further removes us from having any direct and intimate contact with the living Earth.

I am *not* excusing the wrongness of the Unabomber's violent actions, just asking that in all the media's raucous uproar over his unabom-inable acts, we do not forget to listen to the very sane and critical clarity of his message.

In Thoreau's words: "The slave-ship is on her way, crowded with its dying victims; new cargoes are being added in mid-ocean; a small crew of slave-holders, countenanced by a large body of passengers, is smothering four millions under the hatches, and yet the politician asserts that the only proper way by which deliverance is to be obtained is by "the quiet diffusion of the sentiments of humanity," without any "outbreak."

Kaczynski's message is an urgent clarion call, a desperate attempt to remind us that We are both the slave-holders, the passengers, *and* the captives; and our ship is sinking.

Bill Wunkle

The Un-justice System

Our current state administration has adopted a very simplistic short-term solution to the current crime problem: keep the incarcerated locked up. There are serious consequences to this action which no one wants to address. It is time for someone to take a critical look at this policy and the state of mind of those who govern this society.

The fact remains that this policy only delays the inevitable. There will come a time when most of those incarcerated will be released. And at what cost to our society? We must start to look at alternatives to incarceration. We can best prevent crime by reaching out to our youth before they turn to crime.

Aside from the increasing expense (nearly $1 billion dollars per year) there are much deeper consequences. Automatically adding significant time to minimum sentences removes incentives to change. It creates frustration in those who worked hard toward rehabilitation, knowing that no matter what has been accomplished, it makes no difference.

Many inmates give up and decide to serve their maximum sentence. Inmates then grow bitter, some even vow to get even with those who destroyed their hopes and dreams. And therein lies the danger. Once released, these people will be free of any of the restrictions of the parole system.

As the parole board is making tax payers a lot of money by dismantling the system and giving inmates flat sentences., the three strike clause is equally unjust. A system that would rather send a man to jail than educate him does not work in the best interest of the people.

The answer is clearly not, 'lock em up and throw away the key'. In effect, prisoners are driven away from a desire to change, nevertheless there are many success stories that rise above such oppression. When inmates are compelled to max out, they are free to return to society unsupervised. Is this what the public wants?

Bill Cosby recently lost his only begotten son to crime and violence. All this man did was out of love for humanity, and this is how he is compensated in return. Death is the ultimate reality which we all must face, but no one

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Black Panthers "...the most influential revolutionary nationalist organization in the U.S." Manning Marable

"All power to the people"

"The Panthers lived Black struggle and independence. We were the blueprint for the way Black people can live and how we can love and support one another." (Yaa Assantewa)

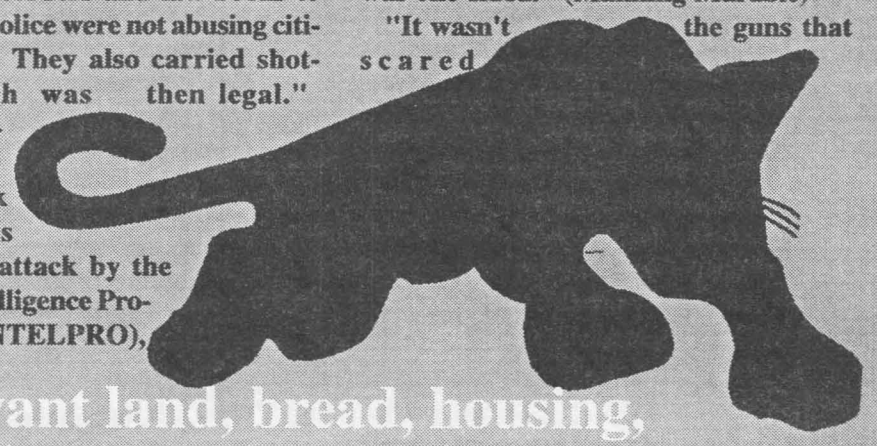
"Our organization [was] really no different from other civil rights organizations. The only difference is we believed in the right to self-defense." (Bobby Seale)

"In early 1967, the Panthers began gaining local attention as they patrolled Oakland's Black neighborhoods. They would trail police cars armed with cameras, tape recorders and law books to ensure that police were not abusing citizens' rights. They also carried shotguns—which was then legal." (Raoul Dennis)

Black Panther's were under attack by the Counter Intelligence Program (COINTELPRO), created by Hoover , as he wrote in 1968, "to expose, disrupt and other wise neutralize activities of various new left organizations." By 1969, COINTELPRO had launched 233 separate incidences such as pre-dawn raids against Black Panther Party members.

"Hounded by the police, the Panthers were massacred. Many of them were killed. They were rapidly becoming an endangered species. To read the Panther newspaper was disheartening; it seemed like one long, unrelenting obituary. Since very few cops were killed, the slaughter was one-sided." (Manning Marable)

"It wasn't the guns that scared Hoover, they were afraid because the organization was destined to gain national multiethnic support. They were a good thing for Black people that was getting better, and that was a threat." (Charles Stevenson)



"We want land, bread, housing, education, clothing, justice and peace."

Black Panther Platform

1. Black control of the Black community
2. full-employment
3. forty acres and two mules for every black person as promised 100 years ago in restitution for slave labor and mass murder of Black people.
4. decent housing : if white landlords are not able to provide proper housing, than current rentals, with government aid, should be made into cooperatives
5. quality education that exposes the true nature of American history and the role of Blacks in American society
6. exempt Black men from military service
7. immediate end to police brutality and murder
8. release all Black men held in prisons and jailed based on the reality that they had not received a fair and impartial trial
9. all Black people brought to trial, must be tried before a jury of their peer group or people from their black communities, as defined by the Constitution of the United States
10. United Nations plebisite

The Black Panthers also initiated the Free Breakfast for School Children Program (1969 to 1973 - at least 20,000 were served), free legal and medical clinics, and organized the free testing of over one million African-americans for sickle-cell anemia.

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1 **1909**- Du Bois forms group which later becomes NAACP **1995** - Rosenberg's son, Robert Meeropol, speaks at Evergreen	**2** **1899**- African-americans fast to protest lynchings **1924**- Congress confers citizenship upon American Natives	**3** **1996** - Supreme Court upholds military's death penalty **1996** - TESC announces security officers will carry guns	**4** **1792**- Vancouver lands Everett, claims region for England **1972**- Angela Davis is acquitted by a white jury	**5** **1956**- Fed. Court rules segregated city buses unconstitutional **1905**- NY Clergy: Russians more pagan than Japanese	**6** **1996** - Olympia's Crown Cork and Seal workers accept contract offer: 2 % wage increase plus cost-of-living for three years	**7** **1932**- 3,000 men riot for jobs at the Ford Motor Company's Detroit plant in Detroit Michigan; four lose their lives
8 **1996** - The body of Paul Sprague, a man who was homeless, was found in a wooded area on Olympia's west side.	**9** **1965**- Selma AL: White racists mortally injure Reverend Reeb of Boston, a civil rights movement worker	**10** **1996** - US Supreme Court extends order allowing Washington state to continue its ban on doctor-assisted suicide	**11** **1963**- Gov Wallace trying to prevent admission of African-Americans to U of A, confronted by federalized National Guard	**12** **1996** - Department of Ecology ranked Olympia's Cascade Pole as most contaminated spot in Puget Sound area	**13** **1996** - Supreme Court invalidates predominantly minority congressional districts in the states of Texas and North Carolina	**14** **1996** - 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals allows logging restrictions to protect a threatened sea bird, the marbled murrelet
15 **1996** - Lowry won't cross picket line to attend opening ceremonies June 20th at the new Emerald Downs race track	**16** **1936**- Olympic National Park created **1775**- African-American soldiers fight at Battle of Bunker Hill and Greed's hill	**17** **1995** - Hundreds celebrated Gay/Lesbian Pride Day in Olympia **1989** - Danny Spencer beat to death by Olympia Police	**18** **1968**- Supreme Court bans racial discrimination in housing **1996** - Olympia City Council okays Farmers' Market shuttle	**19** **1995** - U.S. Supreme Court upholds law that protects access to abortion clinics **1953**- Rosenberg's are executed	**20** *full moon* ● **1967**- Muhammad Ali convicted of violating Selective Service Act by refusing induction into the armed services	**21** **Summer Solstice** **1996** - Defense Dept. admits US soldiers were exposed to toxic agents in Persian Gulf War
22 **1996** - Fifth annual Gay Pride Parade held, 500 participants **1964**- Supreme Court rules *Tropic of Cancer* may not be banned	**23** **1995** - U.S. compensates Native people $57 million for lands lost when dams were built on the Columbia River in the 1930s	**24** **1647**- Margaret Brent before Maryland Assembly demands voice and vote for herself. The all-male body was shocked.	**25** **1903**- Wyoming mine explosion kills 234 miners **1876**- The "good guys" won at the Little Big Horn	**26** **1995** - Supreme Court allows drug testing of student athletes **1996**- Supreme Court: Virginia Military Institute admits women	**27** **1996**- Ron Taber, apologizes for calling Spanish "the language of doormen, dishwashers and fruit pickers"	**28** **1996** - The State Theater in downtown Olympia closes **1996** - The state Energy Office is closed by the state
29 **1995** - Supreme Court rules government has right to stop property owners from destroying the habitat of endangered species	**30** **1995** - Secretary of Interior Babbitt said American peregrine falcon is ready to be taken off federal endangered species list	**"We must remember that one determined person can make a significant difference, and that a small group of determined people can change the course of history."** **Sonia Johnson**				

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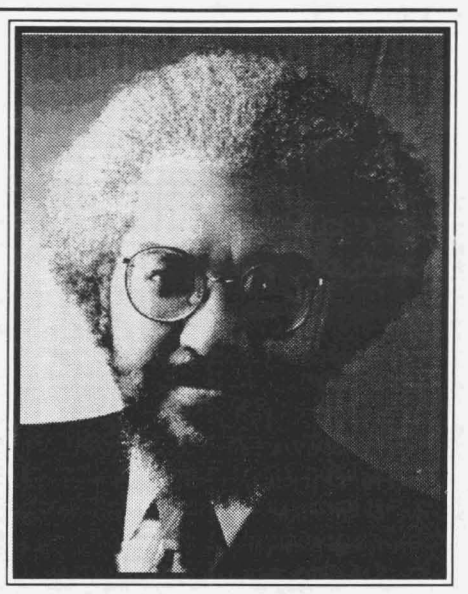
Along the Color Line

Louis Farrakhan and the White Conservatives



Dr. Manning Marable

Politics makes strange bedfellows. Consider the case of Louis Farrakhan. Two years ago at the Million Man March Farrakhan symbolized for many, a strong black challenge to white authority. But even then there were signs that many white Republicans were comfortable with Farrakhan's message of self-help, entrepeneurism and social conservatism.

The budding romance between Farrakhan and white conservatives finally flowered several weeks ago at a luxury retreat in Boca Raton, Florida. Farrakhan was the guest of Jude Wanniski, an influential right-wing economist who has served as an advisor to both Ronald Reagan and former Vice-Presidential candidate Jack Kemp. The guest list at Wanniski's gathering read like the directory of white conservatism: Robert Novak and Rowland Evans, conservative columnists; House Budget Chairman John Kasich; and Republican Senator John Ashcroft.

Robert Novak, bitter opponent of both affirmative action and civil rights in general, cooed like a lovestruck teenager over Farrakhan. Novak wrote that Farrakhan "was knocking on the Republican Party's door," and argued that "some response might be appropriate."

Novak understood that in the context of the American political system, "Minister Farrakhan has been branded an anti-Semite and no repudiation of bigotry by him will suffice. He is viewed with such loathing by the Jewish community that any effort to talk with him to pursue racial harmony is prohibited." Yet from the standpoint of white conservatism, Novak and others have recognized that Farrakhan shares many of their reactionary values. For example, black conservative radio commentator Armstrong Williams praised Farrakhan's emphasis on self-help, declaring to Novak "He sounds like us."

However, the real story behind the Boca Raton meeting was far more complex than the recent headlines revealed. What was really at work was a convergence of parallel interests, rather than a political marriage. White conservatives had come calling to Farrakhan because both parties recognized they can use each other for their own respective purposes.

Let us try to interpret this event from the perspective of Minister Farrakhan. The Million Man March of October, 1995, was unquestionably the largest public gathering of African Americans in U.S. history. The NAACP and establishment politicians clearly have lost legitimacy and touch with the masses of their own people. Farrakhan should have become a major U.S. figure at that time, because no other public leader could have brought one million people into the streets anywhere in the country.

However, Farrakhan was unable to consolidate any lasting political capital from this massive event. The National African-American Leadership Summit headed by Chavis proved to be badly organized and ineffective. There was little political follow up with the hundreds of local march organizing committees.

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Outside of the black community a number of both liberal and conservative white leaders still refused to have anything to do with him. The Nation of Islams' (NOI) private security firm had been pushed out of contracts protecting public housing projects with the Federal government. Farrakhan and NOI speakers were often harassed and barred from campuses. Indirectly, black leaders who have had dealings with Farrakhan in the past were severely pressured to denounce him. The best example here is Kweisi Mfume, head of the NAACP. When Mfume was a member of Congress it was not unusual for him to visit the local NOI temple in Baltimore. Mfume himself, as head of the Congressional Black Caucus, had endorsed efforts to build unity between black elected officials, the NAACP then led by Benjamin Chavis, and the NOI.

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Farrakhan's recent controversial meeting with white conservatives in Boca Raton, Florida, highlights his efforts to gain access to the political mainstream. For example, Farrakhan has publicly denounced anti-Semitism on many occasions, yet virtually no one acknowledges his self-criticisms. At a February 3, 1994 news conference the Minister declared: "I denounce anti-Semitism in all its forms and manifestations. If I believed that I were an anti-Semite, meaning somebody who hates somebody simply because of their faith, I would be unfit to call myself a servant of God." Nevertheless, critics such as Abraham Foxman of the Anti-Defamation League permanently branded Farrakhan a hopeless bigot.

From Farrakhan's point of view he had to find a way to establish a dialogue with prominent white leaders in order to escape the charges of anti-Semitism and ethnic intolerance. As Farrakhan explained in a television interview on March 30, 1997, "How can you change me (and) understand me" if public officials and Jewish leaders refuse to talk to him. Farrakhan added "This no talk policy is irrational, nonsensical and inappropriate if we wish to solve the racial divide."

Farrakhan quietly held a meeting with Edgar Bronfman, the president of Seagrams liquor and the World Jewish Congress, in the spring of 1996. When the media leaked this information, Bronfman was pressured to denounce Farrakhan as "the incarnation of evil." When Jack Kemp praised a statement by Farrakhan renouncing anti-Semitism he was quickly forced to back pedal.

The one public figure within the white conservative establishment who was intrigued with a potential dialogue with Farrakhan was Jude Wanniski, economic adviser to former President Reagan and former Vice-Presidential candidate Jack Kemp. Last December Farrakhan invited Wanniski to dinner at this Chicago home, and the two engaged in a lively five-hour conversation. Wanniski had become convinced that Farrakhan could be converted to embrace Reaganomics the bankrupt idea that one could drastically cut taxes and at the same time actually raise government revenues. Wanniski later declared that Farrakhan was such a willing convert to supply-side economic theory that "he drank it in as if he had just come upon an oasis in the desert."

Wanniski reassured Farrakhan that he understood "that Jewish leaders fear he could lead the black electorate away from the Democratic Party and into opposition of support of Israel." As the two men defined common economic and political ground, Wanniski decided to extend an invitation to Farrakhan to attend his Boca Raton conference.

In a public letter to Abraham Foxman, Wanniski wrote that Farrakhan had expressed the belief at the Boca Raton conference that he "knows he must come to terms with the Jewish community." Farrakhan also understood that "the ADL will be the very last to come aboard, as (this) organization is the most uncompromising watchdog on the lookout for threats to the Jewish community."

Wanniski's efforts failed to impress most white political leaders and the media. Opinion journals, from *The Nation* to *The New Republic*, denounced Wanniski and Farrakhan. An editorial in William Buckley's magazine *The National Review* (April 21, 1997, issue) declared that Farrakhan was "a fraud who rakes in millions form poor people whom he has deluded into thinking they are contributing to black economic development. And he espouses a sort of inverted nationalism which feeds on the alienation of black Americans from their country." *The New Republic* questioned whether Farrakhan was a "conservative. He may know some of the words, but he is singing them to a different tune."

From the vantage point of black America we must ask ourselves where is Farrakhan going? Clearly he is seeking acceptance in the corridors of power. Nevertheless, his economic and social philosophy embraces the worst features of Reagan and Dole's reactionary agenda. Farrakhan is a black nationalist who lacks the radical program of a Malcolm X. If Farrakhan's budding relationship with white Republican conservatives develops into a permanent alliance, the real interests of black working class and poor people will be sacrificed.

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Tiger Woods, and That Multi-Ethnicity Thing

Jerome Johnson

Like millions of other people - especially people of color - I was thrilled to the bone when Tiger won the Masters Tournament. It was his first Masters, he won with a record-breaking score, and he's the first black to win the Masters. That's because golf has a long tradition of racism, and it's hard to win a game they won't let you play.

Even today there are certain clubs where blacks and Jews are forbidden solely because of their race. And although it hurt, I was grimly glad that Fuzzy Zoeller made his disgusting comments. I don't think he was joking, and even if he was, it still revealed his racism. I think that Zoeller put into words what a lot of people believe, as well as being a sore loser. I was glad because Zoller's comments, and the controversy it provoked, demonstrated something everyone knows: racism is still alive and flourishing. Despite the assurances of a few people of color (Clarence Thomas, Shelby Steele, et. al.) that there is no more racism, and those of the majority of white people, wholike to pretend that there's no more racism, so they can think well of themselves while doing nothing and enjoying their skin privileges.

Racism is alive and flourishing . . . the majority of white people like to pretend that there's no more racism, so they can think well of themselves while doing nothing and enjoying their skin privileges.

I was so proud of Tiger when he made his gracious reply. And from this came another rhubarb: not only did Tiger celebrate his blackness, he celebrated all the components of his heritage - among them Thai, Native American and Caucasian. This angered some black folks, who grumbled that he was downplaying his blackness; delighted lots of white folks, who in their racism thought he was denying his blackness; and satisfied lots of people of Asian heritages, who felt acknowledged at last.

A "multi-ethnic" person myself (African, Choctaw Native, Scotch Irish), I respect and agree with the way Tiger identifies himself. First off, it's his right to identify himself as he desires. Second, he's grown up in the racist United States and therefore knows what people see when they look at him, and how many of them - especially whites - will react. To those who say that Tiger's (or anyone else's) embrace of their full heritage(s) "denies" his blackness, I say this: you mean well, but you don't get it. Embracing the complete heritage(s) *enhances* the sense of somebodyness.

It recognizes a person as a whole, rather than a jumble of components. Indeed, for Tiger to emphasize his blackness - especially over his Thai heritage - would be a disservice to his mother, his relatives on her side and himself. It would alienate her, and I admire Tiger's refusal to make his mother and relatives second-class citizens in their own family.

Yes, I respect Tiger Woods. He's not afraid to walk his talk.

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In Kinshasa, Congo (Zaire), an anxious nation watches Laurent Kabila. So far, little good.

In Hanoi, Donald Peterson assumes his duties as the first U.S. ambassador to a unified Vietnam.

In Spokane, black law students at Gonzaga University endure hate crimes but grimly keep their eyes on the prize.

And in Olympia, the Thurston County Rainbow Coalition gears up for another summer of fun, sun, and direct action.

"The most potent weapon in the hands of the oppressor is the mind of the oppressed."

–Steven Biko

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NEWS BRIEFS, UPDATES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Campaign on Starbucks put on Hold

Starbucks recently informed the US/Guatemala Labor Education Projects that it has decided to explore the feasibility of a pilot project for implementing its code of conduct for growers of its coffee in Guatemala.

US/GLEP welcomes this important development and potential breakthrough with Starbucks. It marks a major change in direction compared to the company's statements earlier this year that the company did not intend to monitor whether growers of its coffee meet certain standards with respect to treatment of their workers as set forth in Starbucks code of conduct.

US/GLEP is therefor putting its Starbucks campaign [a national day of picketing and possible boycott] on hold for the time being, pending further discussions with Starbucks regarding the nature, scope and timeline for the feasibility study. Starbucks and US/GLEP met in May. Starbucks also intends to meet with other groups both in the US and Guatemala in conducting the feasibility study.

In early March, US/GLEP had announced a new campaign to persuade Starbucks to implement its path-breaking code of conduct for the suppliers of its coffee. Starbucks "framework" for a code of conduct, as the company calls it, was issued in October 1995 after an initial campaign organized by US/GLEP persuaded the company to agree to adopt what is the first-ever code of conduct issued by a commercial US coffee company. Starbucks had agreed to start implementation of its code in Guatemala. US/GLEP decided to resume its Starbucks campaign work this year after the company failed to move forward on the campaign and appeared to be reneging on its commitment to implement a code of conduct by rejecting the concept of monitoring compliance.

Ironically, while US/GLEP's campaign is now on hold, the company may become the target of an international boycott led by the Canadian Auto Workers union. Last year the CAW in Vancouver, BC successfully organized the first union at Starbucks stores in North America, as well as at a distribution center in Vancouver. The company recently announced it was closing the distribution center and cut the hourly pay of its BC workers from $7.50 to $7. The union says that the company is bargaining in bad faith and amidst setting a strike deadline, to its credit, the CAW local has raised with Starbucks the issue of the company's commitment to its code of conduct and implementation in Guatemala.

For more information on this struggle and what you can do, contact the Citizens Group in Support of Starbucks Workers at CAW Local 3000, 326 12th ST, New Westminster, BC V3M 4H6, Canada. 604-522-7911 or fax 604-522-8975.

For more information on the campaign on Starbucks in Guatemala contact US/GLEP at PO Box 268-290 Chicago, IL 60626; 773-262-6502; fax 773-262-6602; usglep@igc.apc.org

wants to die violently. It is the very nature of everything living near and dear to us to pass away.

The increasing cost to house criminals would be much more wisely spent directed toward unearthing the root cause of this plague. In order to cure a disease one must first know its cause, but prevention is better than cure. Preventing crime begins with providing families with housing, employment, education, and health-care; not in warehousing people. Across the nation, campaigns are centered on getting tough on crime, it's a crime for people in the U.S. A. to be homeless, to go hungry or without proper health care. Has this get-tough method deterred crime? Isn't it time we understood that this simple solution will be a future problem?

Wendell Caldwell, Pennsylvania

Homelessness

Homelessness is not invisible,
but the Homeless are.
No one wants to look at them
No one wants to save them
No one wants to take them into their homes.
The television has been used to make us afraid to leave our homes, but the shadows are not that full. Is the solution to be left up to us?
Or is it a collective one?
Homelessness is not invisible,
but the Homeless are.
They lose their jobs to downsizing.
They aren't needed, they are
the unwashed and the stained.
Homelessness is not invisible,
but the Homeless are.
They hide in the bushes
They live under bridges
They carry their lives in packs
on their backs.
Homelessness is not invisible,
but the homeless are.

Paul Lambert (12/13/96)

Northwest Indian College at Nisqually Offers Adult Basic Education Program

The Northwest Indian College Extension Site located on the Nisqually Indian Reservation, now offers individualized Adult Basic Education classes to help people brush up on math, English, science, history, reading and writing skills. After completing these classes, many Natives complete their GED certificates or continue in college classes. Instruction is offered on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday afternoons. Enrollment is now open. Call today for further information at 360-491-9175.

Working in cooperation with tribal communities, Northwest Indian College creates learning opportunities for Native peoples at twenty sites throughout the Northwest. With its main campus based in Bellingham, Washington, the college offers instruction leading to associate degrees and certificates in a range of areas including a college transfer program.

Honor Humanity Day

Saturday, June 7 at 2pm
Rally on the steps of the Legislative Building

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It's a day to go in a gentler direction; a direction in which fear and intimidation have no place.

It's about maintaining our dignity and our right to a peaceful existence.

Call Katie at352-5786 for info.

PFLAG Olympia

Discovering Your Child Is Gay: Coping with New Expectations

Sunday, June 8th at 2pm
The Gathering Place Parlor of First United Methodist Church
1224 Legion Way SE

Team counselors Nancy Sigafoos and Tina Witcher help parents face their changing hopes for their children when discovering they are lesbian or gay. They also offer guidance to gays preparing to come out to family members.

For information call 866-0511.

Pulitzer Prize Winner to Speak on Global Warming

New Book Unveils Energy Industry Disinformation on Urgent Issue

The remarkable contrast between the clear consensus reached by climate scientists on global warming and the confusion on the part of Congress and the media is the result of systematic efforts by oil and coal companies to stall action. This alarmingly successful campaign is explicitly detailed by Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Ross Gelbspan in his new book, The Heat is On: The High Stakes Battle Over Earth's Threatened Climate (Addison Wesley, May 1997, hardcover/ $23).

Mr. Gelbspan will speak in Olympia at 7pm on Monday, June 9th at Orca Books (509 E. 4th Avenue) in a talk, open to the public, sponsored by the Olympia-based Atmosphere Alliance. Gelbspan's book conclusively shatters our complacency about global warming – the environmental crisis that threatens not only ecosystems but human health and the American democratic process.

"In the United States the truth underlying the increasingly apparent changes in global climate has largely been kept out of public view. As a result, what most Americans know about global warming is obsolete and untrue," Gelbspan writes. "The reason is that the oil and coal industries have spent millions to persuade them that global warming isn't happening."

In clear, concise language, Gelbspan unmasks the spurious attack by a handful of climate change 'skeptics,' revealing both the fallacies of their arguments and their financial ties to oil and coal interests whose carbon-rich products emit the gases that warm the atmosphere. He shows how fossil fuel interests have used those few skeptics to obfuscate the global warming issue, confusing the public, press and policymakers.

Lining up against the fossil fuel interests is a growing array of major business interests, notably insurers, bankers, and other corporations increasingly worried about the impacts of climate change. Their interest lies in curbing the drastic rise in damage by weather-related disasters, for which global insurance claims have increased, from $2 billion in the 1980s to $12 billion in the first half of the 1990s.

Gelbspan, a 31-year veteran of daily journalism for the Boston Globe, The Washington Post, the Village Voice and other publications, has covered environmental issues since he reported on the first U.N. Conference on the Environment in 1972. He won the Pulitzer Prize in 1984 at the Globe.

Books To Prisoners Benefit

Friday the 13th is your lucky night for a fun time where you can enjoy some terrific local talent and help a good cause at the same time. Black Kitty Productions will present a benefit concert 7pm at Liberation Cafe you won't soon forget. Experience the mighty talent of Sandman, Tersa Rian, 1000 Diving Robots and Dream Kitchen.

Admission is $3-5 and donations of stamps and books are also greatly appreciated, as Books to Prisoners (BTP) is an all-volunteer, non-profit effort that strives to provide reading material (free of charge) to inmates in prisons across the country. The number of prisons is rapidly growing in America, and so are the requests for books. Currently BTP receives over 700 letters a month at our main center at Seattle's Left Bank Books. The backlog of requests is immense with most prisoners waiting 4-5 months for packages.

BTP has open work sessions every Thursday from 3-9pm at the Liberation Cafe. Donations of funds, stamps, or books can be made anytime Bulldog News is open. Your help is always welcome and your presence at the Friday the 13th performance will truly be a benefit for all.

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Sunday, June 15 5-8pm
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Summer Solstice Celebration

The 1997 community celebration of the Summer Solstice will be held at Marathon Park on the south end of Capital Lake on Saturday, June 21, beginning at 3pm.

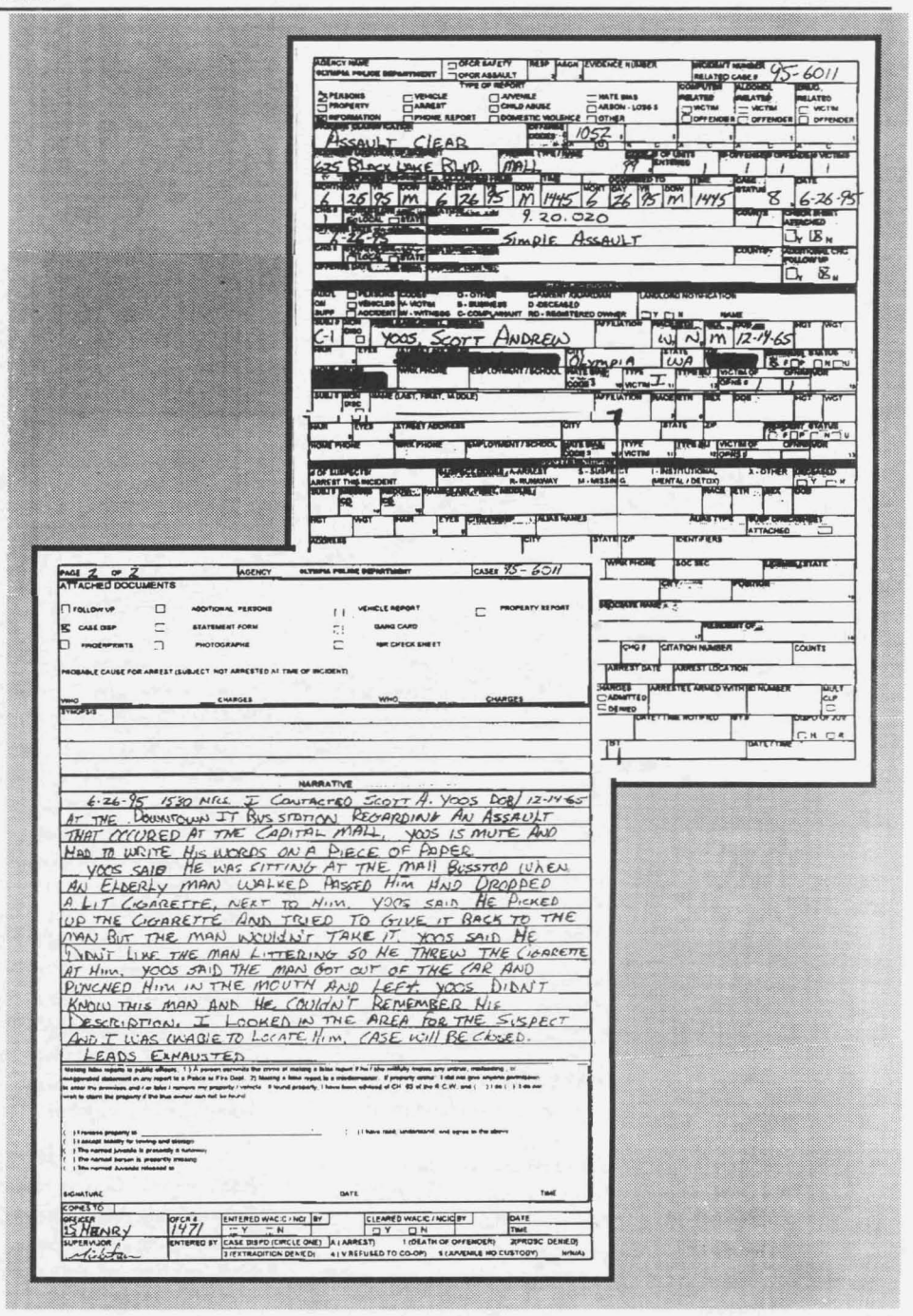
Games, drumming, picnicking and community ritual welcoming summer and the changes of the seasons will be part of the open to all activities. In addition to this, there will be a celebration to honor the Earthwork done by students in the Earth Service Corp of the YMCA and those who have completed the NW Earth Institute classes in Deep Ecology and Voluntary Simplicity.

You can learn more about these programs and have a chance to celebrate the changing of the seasons and the Earth with others. So, bring flowers, rattles, drums, a light heart, a picnic and blanket to greet the arrival of summer.

The event is sponsored by the Sustainable Community Roundtable and Earthbound Productions. For more info call 352-9351.

Truth or Convenience?

CopShop Igonores Police Report Re-Write



Scott Yoos

Dear WIP,

I'm guessing that many of your devotees are also, by "necessity," regular (or sporadic) readers of the local Gannett paper, The Daily 0.

If they are, chances are good that they're acquainted with "Cop Shop," a column which appears weekly in the "South Sound" section. Inviting readers to write-in with questions, "Cop Shop" features a guest officer from the Olympia Police Department, who attempts to answer one or two of these inquiries in print.

Initially, I thought this was a very good thing,...lord knows I've had plenty of explanations I've wanted to ask of the local police department..., but after having submitted quite a number of very sincere questions to "Cop Shop" and having every single one of them routinely ignored, I'm now somewhat less-enthused by this community-outreach" column.

Officer Henry's report conveniently neglected to include any of the follow-up information which I had provided, and ends with the blantant lie "Case will be closed. Leads exhausted."

I'm sending you one of their rejections, on the chance that you might want to run it in WIP. *Granted, it isn't very current, (I just found it while going through some moldering papers from my storage unit), but it's still quite relevant (and a good read, to boot!).*

At the time, I actually visited The Olympian's *editorial office to follow-up on their reasons for giving it the thumbs-down, and was informed that although it was an "interesting" story, "Cop Shop"* never *deals with specific cases. It seems the O.P.D. would prefer to address matters strictly from the hypothetical realm, and not have to dirty their hands dealing with reality.*

So here's my nixed "Cop Shop" submission, they very abbreviated police report, and yet another of the reasons why I no longer salute when a policeman passes and looks me over.

Sincerely your reader, Scott Yoos

Dear "CopShop" --

Thank you for this opportunity to have this law enforcement-related question answered in a public forum. I am writing because I have been frustrated by you Department's lack of cooperation with my assault case, #95-6011.

From the top. . . we'll have to return to the date of the incident: Monday, June 26, 1995.

I was standing at the bus stop, right by the main entrance to the Capital Mall, 'round about 2:10 in the afternoon, waiting for the #48 bus downtown. This woman walks by, sees 'Tash (my companion dog) and says something trite and obvious to the effect of: "Oh, what a byootfiful dog!!" Her husband, probably in his late fifties, followed behind her, and muttered "Fucking Dog" when he had to deviate his course by 2 steps to walk around Natasha.

They walked to their car, a large tan gas-guzzler, which was parked nearby. En route, I noticed that the guy-with-the-attitude problem had flicked his (still-smoking) cigarette butt to the ground. I walked over, picked up his litter, and approached the car, motioning that he should put it in his car's ashtray by offering the butt to him. Pulling out, he said, "It's for you." So, I casually lobbed the butt through his open window.

He screeched the vehicle to a stop and got out, obviously steamed. Approaching me, he said, "Come here, you cocksucker!" and decked me, full in the face, knocking me to the pavement. His wife got out of the car, concerned and embarrassed, but he ordered her to "Get in!", and he peeled away from the scene.

[A named] Intercity Transit Driver was among the witnesses, and offered to testify if necessary. The Driver was piloting the #45 bus, waiting at the mall bus stop at around 2:15 in the afternoon when he saw the assault. I rode his bus downtown and we phoned the OPD from the transit center. The bus driver and I had both got the car's license plate #, 248 FAA, and I naively thought it'd be worthwhile to file a police report on the incident.

I waited something over half-an-hour for Officer B. Henry to arrive at the bus station. While waiting, I wrote down a detailed two-page account of what had happened at the mall bus stop, complete with witnesses names and contact information, plate number of the vehicle and other visual details which I presented to Officer Henry upon his arrival. He pledged that he'd "Do his best," but he made it clear that he thought that my assailant's violence was justified.

Two weeks passed while I was vacationing with friends in Northern California. Upon my return to town, I decided to follow-up on the case, to see if any progress had been made. Apparently, this was more than Officer Henry had anticipated me doing. Much to my disappointment and disgust, I found that the two-page report which I had detailed for the Officer had been *destroyed*, and in its place Henry had filed a few scant (and inaccurate) sentences giving his opinion of what had occurred, (since he was such an authority on the matter.) His report conveniently neglected to include any of the follow-up information which I had provided, and ends with the blantant lie "Case will be closed. Leads exhausted."(!)

Needless to say, this has been a very unsatisfactory and disconcerting interaction. Yes, I'm sure the OPD has "more important" matters to attend to, though I think it's an interesting double-standard that if my assailant had punched Officer Henry in the face, he'd have gone to jail, no questions asked.

My question for the "Cop Shop" column is whether this sort of re-writing of Police Reports is common practice?

When truth becomes a casualty of convenience, it's time to reassess the policeman's role.

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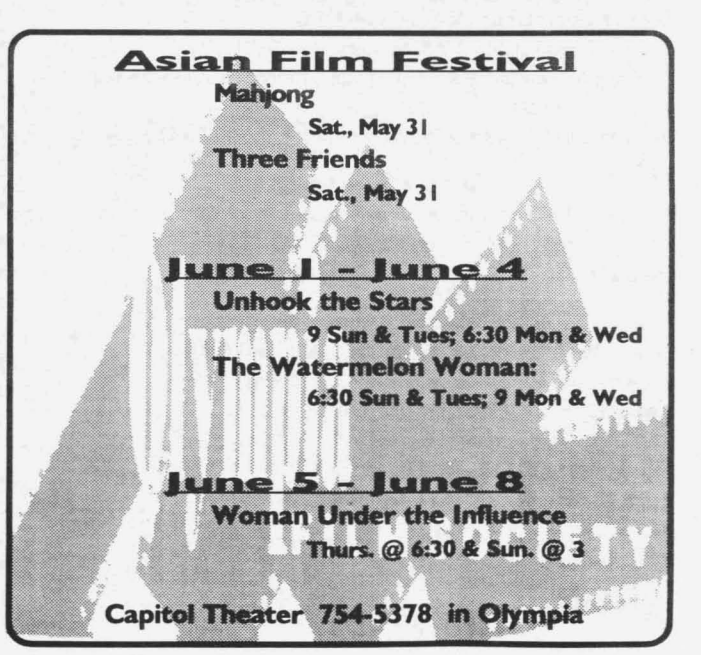
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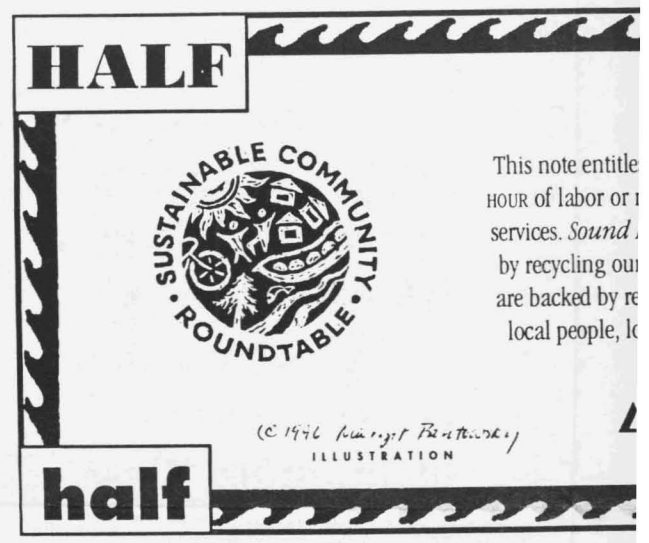

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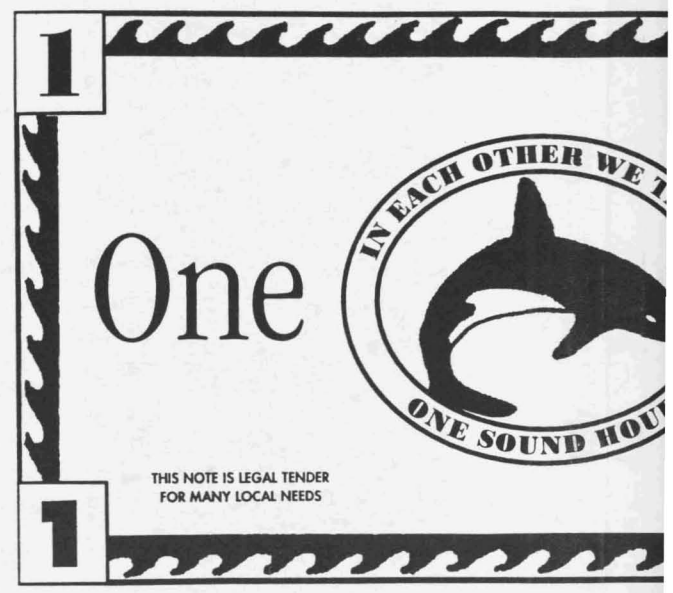


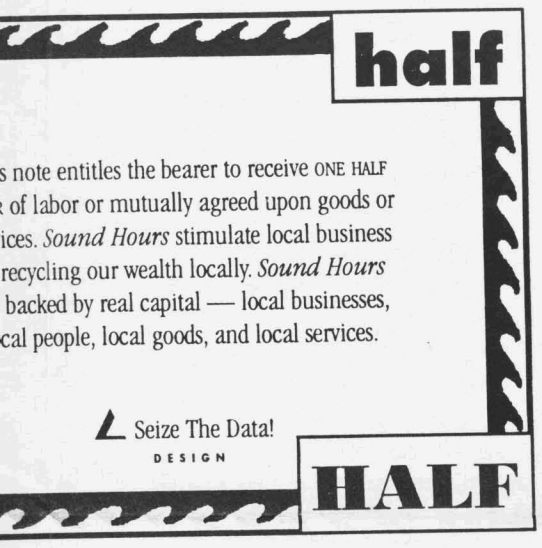
Planning, Business and Personal: Joanne Lee, 352-3856
Political: Tom Nogler, 705-2241
Ritual Creation: Susan Buis, 753-5919
Sign Language Interpretation: Kat Bucher, 352-3589
Small business consulting: Randy Cravey, 943-7665
Vision coaching & counseling: Ron Cox, 352-3856

COOKING

Allergy free by request, Baking: Kelly Ampulski, 866-6853
Baking / Cooking: Jean Ciallella, 459-7480
Catering: Connie Jump, 705-2090
Catering & Cake Decorating: Andrew Poultridge, 352-8769
Catering (baking, vegetarian & macrobiotic): Mare Nemeth, 866-6433
Catering Whole Food - Vegan: Tiffany Mullins, 753-6103
Cooking: Ron Vindivich : 206-582-0641
Cooking: Ginny Morang, 754-1724
Indian Curry: Ted Riley, 943-0422
Luscious low-fat or allergy-free muffins: Muffin Mania, 357-6062
Personal Chef: Esp. Indian, Thai, Chinese: Deryck, 866-1602
Scrumptious Meals Tasty Dessert: Samantha Chandler, 956-9256
Veg cooking / Catering: Cherie Beckstrom, 943-6083
Vegan cooking assistance: Dara Barr, 754-9082
Vegetarian: Tiffany Mullins, 753-6103
Vegetarian catering (personal chef): Geoff Gohacki, 866-7255

COUNSELING

Alternatives to Domestic Violence: Jennifer Goodwin, 357-7986
Brief Therapy, NLP: Ruthann Lonardelli, 866-8033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DESIGN
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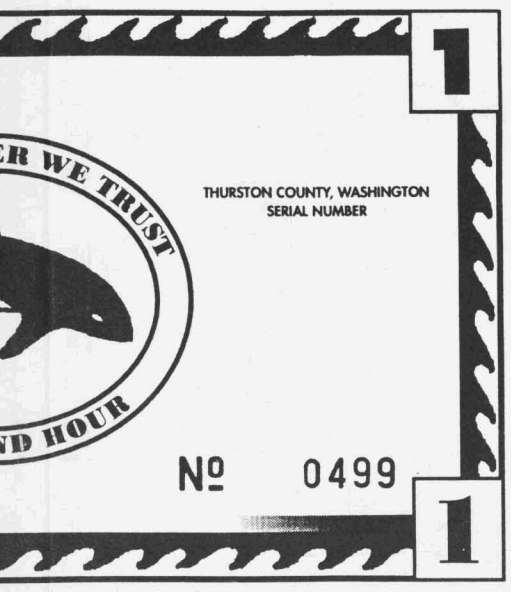
Career Counseling: Karen Petty MS, 786-5646
Child, Adolescent, Adult: Susan Rainsford, 956-1542
Counseling: Bonnie Coate, 943-3538
Couple & Individual Counseling: Nancy Sullivan, 786-1195
Guided meditations: Jeanne Murdoch-Zvonchenko, 786-0710
Hypnotherapy: Raymond M. O'Brien, 753-0933
Individual : Sandia Slaby, 866-4561
Phoenix Rising Yoga Therapy: Rosa Demcheck, 866-1650
Pre-employment, resume help: Shelley King, 491-7928
Psychological & testing: Lee Myerhoff, 866-9051
Psychotherapy: Julia Brayshaw, 956-9285 x1
Sacred Vision, Everyday Action Coaching: Joanne Lee, 352-3856
Spiritual & Emotional: No Credentials: Noni Meyer, 956-3439
Spiritual Counseling: Kisha , 709-0641

CRAFTS & MERCHANDISE

Books: Used, Sale, Trade, Offer: Bob Williams, EDD, 956-0337
Candles: Pure bee's wax: Botanical Bounty, 867-0234
Gems & Minerals: Jim Eagan, 705-8529
Gifts : Traditions Cafe & World Folk Art, 705-2819
Hand Painted Cards: Stacey Laplante, 866-1602
Handmade Paper, Stationery, Cards: Becky Fuller, 705-1758
Pottery, Handmaid Paper&Books, Knitting: Erin Piccolo, 866-1347
Prepaid Phone Cards: $5, 10, 20: 25%hours: Cyndi Holmes, 458-0528
Soap: Handmade, vegetable based: Shelly Lopardi, 357-7893
Supply Exotic Chicken & Peacock Feathers: Ramona Serrato, 446-7816
Toys, Holiday Gifts, Crafts @ Farmers Mkt: Petrina Walker, 427-6366
Unique jewelry, gifts & custom-made pins: Pleasures & Treasures!, 357-6062



DRAFTING, COMPUTER AIDED

Architectural, Electrical, Mech.: David Richey, 705-4675

ENTERTAINERS

Adult & Children's Parties: Flowers de Clown: Kathryn Will, 754-9344
Children's Concerts, Songs and Dances: Astrid McCarthy, 866-7631
Children's parties: Holly Gwinn Graham, 866-1468
Classical & Jazz Piano/Cello: Matt George, 866-6670
Contra Dance Calling (will teach): Lisa Edwards, 357-1428
Earring or Bracelet making B-day parties: Arleen Sutton, 412-0916
Guitar, Folk, Family Entertainment: Neal Woodall, 352-8925
Guitar, Vocal, Folk: Goat, 866-7498
Improv Guitar, Banjo, Mandola & Flute: Leanne Pisani, 866-0540
Jazz - Upright Bass: Peter Hickey, 705-8617
Music & Poetry Performance: Red Diamond, 352-6784
Piano: Beth Leumbach, 866-9733
Singer, songwriter, performer: Holly Gwinn Graham, 866-1468
Storytelling & Acting Improv. (All Ages): Debe Edden, 943-6772

FLOWER ESSENCE THERAPY

Flower essence therapy: Julia Brayshaw, 956-9285x1

FOOD, WATER & NUTRITION

Blue-Green Algae, Sprouts, Ferments: Stanley Stahl, 352-3641
C.S.A. - Organic Produce: Rising River Farm: 273-5368
C.S.A. - Organic Produce: Kirsop Farm , 352-3590
C.S.A. - Organic Produce: Common Ground , 866-9527
Dairy Bottled Milk & other products: St. Jude Farm, 426-3060
European Crusty Bread: Greg Hohnholt, 357-8264
Food, Produce: Richard Estuly, 866-4944
Melaleuca Products: Denise & Tracy Kreger, 866-2073
Menu Planning, Budgeting & Purchasing: Cathryn Lewis, 352-9068
Super Blue Green Algae : Sandia Slaby, 866-4561
Toddy 100+ liquid organic nutrients, tape: Sara Steinberg, 458-4351
Tofu, Soy & Rice Milk: CJ Russo, 956-9123
Tomatoes, Peppers, Basil & Squash: Shady Grove Organic Farm, 705-0189
Vitamins, Herbs, Juice Bar: Red Apple, 357-8779
Water Filters - Multi Pure: Sandia Slaby, 866-4561
Wheat Grass & Sprouts: Chris Burke, 709-0792

GARDEN SERVICES & SUPPLIES

Backyard Vegetation & Wildlife Design: Ted Thomas, 786-9108
Careful weeding by hand: The Happy Weeder, 491-3325
Environmental Restoration: Susan Buis, 753-5919
Fresh Flower Bouquets (seasonally): Samantha Chandler, 956-9256
Garden Design: Connie Jump, 705-2090
Garden Design, Water Gardens: Dave Baird, 754-9249
Gardening: Lisa Jackson, 866-6882
Gardening: Nicole Mills, 709-0379
Gardening: Tiffany Mullins, 753-6103
Gardening: Christina Wellman, 943-9750
Gardening: Cara Weston, 956-9367
Gardening: Chere Taylor, 709-9464
Gardening: Dara Barr, 754-9082
Gardening: Karen & Eric Bert, 866-0692
Gardening: Nije' Pinder, 956-1542
Gardening: Beth Leumbach, 866-9733
Gardening/Landscaping: Elizabeth Whitlow: 206-567-4012
Hauling, Native Plants, Yard work: Kat Bucher, 352-3589
Landscape design & construction: Todd Davison, 352-6132
Landscape Design & Consult., Plants: Cindy Cooper, 754-2867
Landscaping & Consulting: Sound Gardening & Pest Mngmnt, 352-8996
Landscaping Supplies: Garden Works, 943-7890
Landscaping, all types: Matthew Hastings, 438-0345
Lawn Mowing: Toby van Roojen-Logg, 754-1406
Lawncare: Edwin Landis, 534-9732
Live Organic Perennials: Cindy Cooper, 754-2867
Native Plants: Cherylyn Petersen, 534-9537
Nursery Garden Center: Garden Works, 943-7890
Organic Vegetables: Drogheda Nifaolain, 866-6808
Perennial Garden Design: Margit Bantowsky, 867-0273
Permaculture Consultation: Ry Thompson, 352-3856
Permaculture design and installation: Terran Designs, 352-6509
Planning & Planting: Erin Piccolo, 866-1347
Pruning fruit trees & others: John Hendrickson: 273-8892
Pruning Trees and bushes: Paul Nyctea, 956-9521
Seeds: Flowers Perennial & Annual: Ramona Serrato, 446-7816
Seeds-Assorted; Worm Castings, Instruction: Willow Whitton, 532-0501
Slug Traps of Molded Plastic: Susan Kibbey, 866-9090
Tiller, Chipper & Mower Rental: Gene Cade, 357-4019
Worms - Composting: Martha Marrah, 943-2854
Yard work: Ethan Rogol, 709-9203
Yard work: Geoff Gohacki, 866-7255
Yard work: Matt George, 866-6670
Yard work: Ted Riley, 943-0422

HAIR CARE

Holistic Hair Care & Design: John Tiefel, 754-7455
Unique Hairwraps: Megan Elliott, 866-6433

HANDWRITING ANALYSIS

Write your name and a letter; I analyze: Jan Jacquet, 357-8312

HEALING

Yoga Therapy: Sharon O'Connor, 357-6914

HEALTH CARE

Acupuncture, herbal medicine: Robin Stiritz, 352-1868

HELPER COMPANION

Nature observ., errands, rides: Janet Kelly, 456-1109

HERBS

Herbal oil, tinctures & salves: Endicott Herbs, 705-1971
Herbal Preparations: Lisa Nelson, 867-0234
Herbal Preparations: Jenei Ocean, 753-2083
Herbs & Herbal Products: Dave Baird, 754-9249
Herbs, Dried Flowers, Rugs & Soap: Simply Life Farms: Farmers Mkt Live herb plants, garden design@Frmrs Mkt: Sharon Conboy, 427-6306
Many standardized tinctures, salves, etc.: Live Gaia Herbs, 943-5793
Medicinal Herbs,Tea Blends, Tincture, Salves: Oyster Bay Herb Co., 866-1650
Organic Herbs: Douglas Hiatt, 705-0189
Skin Cream: Shelly Lopardi, 359-7893
Wildcrafting, Growing & Preparations: Karen Stahl, 352-2428

HOME IMPROVEMENT

Appliance Repair: Daniel Whitehouse, 943-3902
Construction, Green Home Design: George Hom, 943-7437
House Maintenance: Chuck Chappell, 753-2599

HOUSE CLEANING

Garage Cleaning: Clint McDade, 459-0223
Home or Office, Eco Friendly: Stacey Laplante, 866-1602
House Cleaning: Clement Family, 456-3125
House Cleaning: Jennifer Hendricks, 866-8904
House Cleaning: Christine Meighen, 754-7565
House Cleaning: Camille Hodges, 357-7037
House Cleaning: Jean Ciallella, 753-4876 or 459-7480
House Cleaning: Kim Foltz, 943-9750
House Cleaning: Nicole Mills, 709-0379
House Cleaning: Ginny Morang, 754-1724

INSTRUCTION

Advocacy Training: Lisa Smith, 352-8443
Art: Margit Bantowsky, 867-0273
Art workshops: Karen Small, 867-0624
Art: Children & Adults: Fran Morgan, 427-1470
Art: 2 and 3 dimensional: White Bird Studios, 866-7631
Basic B&W Photography: Dara Barr, 754-9082
Bead Jewelry Classes: Arleen Sutton, 412-0916
Beadwork Lessons: Maya Spier, 943-8167
Bread making: Phil Vandeman, 352-0494
Brewing & Local Wine Making: Phil Vandeman, 352-0494
Certified Yoga Instructor: Rosa Demcheck, 866-1650
Commodity Trading Fundamentals: Gene Cade, 357-4019
Contra Dance Calling: Lisa Edwards, 357-1428
Creative Writing: Holly Aquino, 753-6830
Creative Writing & Drama: Erin George, 866-6670
Dance, Exercise, Movement: Astrid McCarthy, 866-7631
Drawing, Beginning Voice Lessons: Robin Landsong, 956-9821
Equestrian Instruction: A. Mclaurine-Clarke, 387-8406
For Public Speaking: Helen Lee, 352-6235
Herbs, Weed Walks, Cultivation, Preparations: Karen Stahl, 352-2428
Holistic Health, Rejuvenation: Alan Bennett, 352-6358
Juggling, etc.: Flight of Hand, 426-6540
Kayak (Sea), Beginning, B.Y.O.K.: Betsy Beekurann, 438-5350
Kayaking - Basic: Ted Riley, 943-0422
Knitting & Crochet: Juli Abrahamsen, 943-7504
Knitting Lessons: Emily Andrews, 754-9037
Mapmaking, ArcView training: Shana Zickuhr, 956-1815
Mask Making, Design: Gail Baker, 705-2979
Mechanical Engineering: William Steffenhagen, 923-1939
Permaculture Education: Ellen Turner, 352-6509
Plant Walks: Live Gaia Herbs, 943-5793
Pottery, Handmaid Paper & Books, Knitting: Erin Piccolo, 866-1347
Quilting, Hand and Lap: Sarah Levy, 357-7094
Science Wiz makes House Calls: D.R. Bennett, 943-3980
Spinning Instruction: Nancy Laich, 866-9527
Stained Glass: Mark Sumera, 754-9581
Swimming Lessons: Megan Elliott, 866-6433
Typing: Emily Andrews, 754-9037
Voice Lessons: Marla Beth Elliott, 754-4319
Watercolors: Bonnie Coate, 943-3538
Woodshop for women & kids, wood products: Terry Zander, 705-2494

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(Sound Hours List, continued)

Writing, Editing: Vicki Scannell, 754-1767
Yoga, incl. Ashtanga, Meditation-All levels: Oly Community Yoga Center, 753-0772

INSTRUCTION: LANGUAGE

English as a 2nd language: Richard Keith, 956-7314
English Grammar Tutor & Editing: Sarah Levy, 357-7094
French: Shana Zickuhr, 956-1815
German: Elizabeth Whitlow: 206-567-4012
Japanese for Children : Erika Golde, 352-1499
Private or group instruction in ESL: Your Excellent English!, 357-6062
Russian Translation & Tutoring: Alison Eastlake, 753-6844
Sign Language Lessons: Kat Bucher, 352-3589
Spanish: Ruth Rogol,*709-9203
Spanish: Ethan Rogol, 709-9203
Spanish (beginning): Michael Burgess, 357-7812
Spanish Naturally: Sara M. Chehraz, 866-8421
Spanish tutoring: Kim Foltz, 943-9750
Written Translation of Spanish: Stephen L. Beck, 357-8730

INSTRUCTION: MUSIC

Flute lessons: Warren Cohen, 491-8339
Guitar & Mandolin: Ethan Rogol, 709-9203
Music lessons: flute, recorder, piano: Elizabeth Mead, 943-4517
Music: vocal and guitar lessons: Holly Gwinn Graham, 866-1468
Piano: Karen & Eric Bert, 866-0692
Piano & Cello: Matt George, 866-6670
Piano (experienced, all ages): Lauren Arcuri, 866-1650
Viola & violin : Jennifer Dotson, 754-6081

INSTRUCTION: TUTORING

Academic: Ariel Balter, 943-1363
History: Darryl North, 943-8167
Home Schooling K-12: Cathryn Lewis, 352-9068
K-12 (certified teacher): Holly Gwinn Graham, 866-1468
Live-In, Computers & Verbal: Bob Williams, EDD, 956-0337
Math: Michael Burgess, 357-7812
Math & Advanced Sewing: Noni Meyer, 956-3439
Math & Reading by 3rd Grader: Chris Edwards, 357-1428
Math & Science: Todd Thedell, 754-1890
Math (K-College): CJ Russo, 956-9123
Reading - Certified Teacher: Carrie Lindsey-Fernsler, 482-2632
Reading Improvement - All Ages: Denise Gagnier, 786-0534
Tutoring: grades 3-8, MAC computer: Rich Bakala, 357-7565
Writing / Reading + Montessori: Diana Olsen-Olegre, 754-4718

INTERIOR DESIGN

Efficiency of Space: Gita Moulton, 352-9351
Feng Shui Consultation: Nancy Sullivan, 786-1195
Feng Shui Consultation: Karen Stahl, 352-2428

MASONRY & BLDG. MATERIALS

Dry, Mud, Brick, Stone, Stucco: Stanley Stahl, 352-3641
Log Milling: Don Grower, 705-1971
Log Milling: Tom Nogler, 705-2241

MISCELLANEOUS LABOR

Car Shuttle Service, airport/local trips: Sara Steinberg, 458-4351
Cashiering Help: Peter Zerkel, 352-1499
Construction, Yardwork, Moving: Goat , 866-7498
Errands around town - Run Around Sue's: Sara M. Chehraz, 866-8421
Errands, Rides to Airport , Food Shopping: Hilan Hauptman & Jodi Rush, 754-1009
Errands: Have car: Kay Engel, 357-9656
General Handyman: Matthew Hastings, 438-0345
Handyman: Scott Bingley, 704-1833
Hauling: Leanne Pisani, 866-0540
Housesitting: Megan Donnelly, 943-9295
Housesitting: Care for your Home and Pets: Hyla Dickson, 357-1504
Indoor Plant Care: Rick Coate, 352-8443
Labor: Laura Franklund, 866-6882
Labor: Holly Aquino, 753-6830
Labor: Edwin Landis, 534-9732
Labor: Tom Nogler, 705-2241
Misc. Labor: Sandra Hall & Jesse Mabus, 754-2821
Naturalist: Don Grower, 705-1971
Organizing: Junkroom, Attic, Garage, etc.: Laura Brand-Bauer, 943-0422
Painting, construction assistance: Jennifer Hendricks, 866-8904
Physical Labor: Ry Thompson, 352-3856
Project Help: Clint McDade, 459-0223
Window Cleaning, Commercial & Residential: Painless Windows, 943-9707
Window Washing: Kathleen Wright, 943-2505

MUSIC & INSTRUMENTS

Custom Built African Marimba & Drums: Bob Sisson, 427-6267
Music Library: Seth Watkins, 352-4377
Music: CDs & Tapes of Local Artists: The City Limits, 786-0783
Musical Greeting Cards: Greg Hohnholt, 357-8264
Musical instrument repair: Leanne Pisani, 866-0540
PA Rental and Sound: The City Limits, 786-0783
Piano tuning & repair: Ryan Sowers, 705-4160
Repair: Brass, Woodwinds, Strings: Bob Sisson, 427-6267

NUTRITION

Advice: Leon Farmilant, 352-4421
Consultation: Sandia Slaby, 866-4561
Nutritional Counseling: Carmela Courtney, 866-0672

OFFICE WORK

Computer, Reception, Secretarial: Anne Nelson, 956-7008
Retail Store & Office Help: Erika Golde, 352-1499
Temp: Office Management Experience: Lynn Bornholdt, 432-9108

ORGANIZING

Rooms in home, papers in office: Jeannette Sherman, 943-5179

PAINTERS

House Painting: Susan Rainsford, 956-1542
Interior / Exterior: Julie Clougherty, 956-0531
Interior Painting: Kathleen Wright, 943-2505
Residential Painting: Olympia Painting Exchange, 705-3528

PARENTING HELP

Before/After/Evening Care: Robin Lipsker, 754-4412
Childcare: Kim Foltz, 943-9750
Childcare: Susan Parker, 786-0795
Childcare: Claudine Reynolds, 786-8986
Childcare: Marie Sackett, 352-8536
Childcare: Desi Saylors, 709-0294
Childcare: Jessica Yarger, 357-6348
Childcare: Becky Fuller, 705-1758
Childcare: Carrie Lindsey-Fernsler, 482-2632
Childcare: Christina Wellman, 943-9750
Childcare: Christine Meighen, 754-7565
Childcare: Clement Family, 456-3125
Childcare: Diana Olsen-Olegre, 754-4718
Childcare: Jennifer Olson, 357-6348
Childcare: Juli Abrahamsen, 943-7504
Childcare: Kelly Ampulski, 866-6853
Childcare: Laura Franklund, 866-6882
Childcare: Lisa Nelson, 867-0234
Childcare: Sandra Hall & Jesse Mabus, 754-2821
Childcare: Susan Lundly, 956-3380
Childcare: Tara Perkins, 352-4415
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Childcare: Jennifer Hendricks, 866-8904
Childcare: Nicole Mills, 709-0379
Childcare: Arleen Sutton, 412-0916
Childcare: Betsy Beekurann, 438-5350
Childcare: Ethan Rogol, 709-9203
Childcare: Karen & Eric Bert, 866-0692
Childcare: 18 yrs old: 8 yrs experience: Sagesse Jesse Graham, 866-1468
Childcare: Weekends: Amy Leigh, 753-0092
Doula Services: Susan Lundly, 956-3380
Doula Services, Labor Support: Hilan Hauptman, 754-1009
Doula Services, Labor Support: Susan Parker, 786-0795
Doula Services, Labor Support: Lisa Nelson, 867-0234
Doula Services, Midwifery: Sarah Huntington, LM, 357-3801
Labor support and post partum care: Susan Parker, 786-0795
Labor Support, Post Partum Doula Services: Monica Villarreal: 264-5290
Midwifery, Homebirth Service, Prenatal Care: Marijke van Roojen, LM, 754-1406
Post Adoption Help: A.F.T.E.R., 352-4377
Video on baby massage: BabyTouch L.L.C., 352-2161

PHOTO RESTORATION

Fix That Photo, B & W or Color: Digi-Re-Du Photo Restoration, 357-8312

POETRY

Original Books & Live Readings: Red Diamond, 352-6784

PROPAGANDIST

All Media: Kevin Wahl, 754-2565

REAL ESTATE

Sales: Nanci Eldridge, 943-8391

RENTAL - REAL ESTATE / SPACE

1 month of storage: Budget Mini-Storage, 786-1448
Meeting Space, also Meadow for Rituals: Dorothy Craig, 754-7842
Motel & Property Management: Nanci Eldridge, 943-8391
Residential Apartment (no vacancy): Stanley Stahl, 352-3641
Studio For Rent: A. Mclaurine-Clarke, 387-8406

RESTAURANTS

NY Style Pizza: Old School Pizza , 786-9640
Traditions Cafe: Dick Meyer, 705-2819
Vegan & Vegetarian: Pleasant Pleasant , 705-3645

SEWING: CLOTHING & FIBERWORKS

Clothes, camping gear repair: Lea Mitchell, 866-9773
Clothing Accesories-Child/Adult, Esp. Hats: Jen Macc, 943-5677
Clothing Accessories: Baby Hats: Susan Lundly, 956-3380
Clothing, New & Mending: Monica Villarreal: 264-5290
Expert alterations & custom: Noni Meyer, 956-3439
Knitting: Christine Meighen, 754-7565
Mending: Kristen Holm, 943-1796
Mending & Knitting: Sally Reigel, 534-9642
Mending, Darning: Lilly Love, 705-1806
Recycled Wool Hats and Coats: Hyla Dickson, 357-1504
Repairs / Fabrications in Heavy Cloth: Cobbworks , 352-7168
Seamstress: Merry Manthorne, 352-9301
Seamstress: Pat Melone, 956-0938
Sewing: Kate Laverents, 754-1890
Sewing: Ruth Rogol, 709-9203
Sewing: Suzanne Wenner, 357-3795
Sewing: Tiffany Mullins, 753-6103
Spinning & Natural Dying Lessons: Willow Whitton, 532-0501
Tibetan Carpets by Women's Co-Op: Pema Kharpo, 352-7402
Wool & Mohair Fleece: Common Ground , 866-9527

TOURS

Of Alternative Goods (Sign Lang): Leslie Keller, 943-7504

VIDEO INDEPENDENT

Coverage of News Events: Carol Burns, 866-7645
Weddings, Birthday Parties, Child Births: Karen and Stanley Stahl, 352-3641

WELDING

Tig, Oxy-acty, Large & Small: Rob Leigh, 753-0092

WORKSHOPS

Ceremonial & Spiritual Dance Workshops: Kirsten Anna Golden, 754-1850
Women's workshops and programs: Women's Vision, 352-5780

WRITERS

Copy Editing and Proofreading: Margot F. Boyer, 786-8217
Critical Reading of Fiction: Ted Riley, 943-0422
Critiques/Editing/Writing/Proofreading: Sara Steinberg, 458-4351
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Desktop Publishing: Cherylyn Petersen, 534-9537
Desktop Publishing: Sandra Hall & Jesse Mabus, 754-2821
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Editing: Christina Wellman, 943-9750
Editing/Critical reading of Fiction: Laura Brand-Bauer, 943-0422
Editing and Proofreading: Stephen L. Beck, 357-8730
Editing, Letter Writing: Lydia Lindwall, 493-1319
Editing: apps, grants, video, & research: Robert Press, 956-9228
Editing: Non-fiction books, technical reports, proposals: Dorothy Craig, 754-7842
Grant Writing: Bryn Houghton, 357-8286
Non Fiction: Greg Hohnholt, 357-8264
Proof reading, editing / tutoring: Diana Olsen-Olegre, 754-4718
Resume Assistance & word processing: Lauren Arcuri, 866-1650
Technical: John Green, 357-8426
Technical Writing, Typist: Cascadia Products, 754-4412
Technical, Editing: Mark Varadian, 352-2372
Typing: Angie Nichols, 956-7314
Word Processing: Grace Engler, 458-9123
Word Processing: Kate Laverents, 754-1890
Word Processing: Maya Spier, 943-8167
Word Processing, Excel, Data Entry, Editing: Jeannette Sherman, 943-5179
Word Processing/Excel/Editing: Drogheda Nifaolain, 866-6808
Writing & Editing: Richard Keith, 956-7314
Writing, Editing, Ads, Proofreading, Lyrics: Theodore Hall, Ph.D, 894-3223
Writing, Editing, Help with Papers: Lynn Bornholdt, 432-9108
Writing, Editing, Word Processing: Jean Ciallella, 753-4876

(No Sidewalk, continued)

already laws against assault, aggressive panhandling, and blocking the sidewalk. It doesn't seem like it's going to help anything by pushing the young away, whether by putting them in prisons as if they were adults or by denying them access to downtown public space.

Everybody wants to feel safe. That's why some of the sidewalk sitters are downtown -- they feel safe there. I have never heard of anyone being physically assaulted or hurt by the sitters. Never. What is the threat to safety? Apparently some people are afraid of the possibility of some kind of unpleasantness -- like a cross cultural, intergenerational flareup of some sort. There is always the possibility that if we are civil with the young, they will be civil right back. Try it. Downtown on a Friday night.

Let's put effort into including the young in downtown society instead of trying to scare them away. Let's build skateboard parks and conversational corners instead of making it against the law to sit on the concrete in the middle of the action.

And if you're sitting on the sidewalk, in the mood to piss off some oldster, please think twice and be cool instead.

Everybody's civil rights are threatened if anybody's civil rights are threatened. Let's put effort into including the young in downtown society instead of trying to scare them away. Let's build skateboard parks and conversational corners instead of making it against the law to sit on the concrete in the middle of the action, being cool.

Pick up the phone and call the City Council at 753-8450 before June 10th and come to the meeting on the 10th.

History/Context

By Pat Tassoni

In cities around the country the homeless and youth are being attacked through legislation designed to criminalize and chase them away. The City of Olympia has looked at and/or enacted ordinances such as No Sitting on the Sidewalk, No Fortified Wine, Alley Closure, expanding the Skateboarding Ordinance, No Youth Dances, No Aggressive Panhandling, and No Car-Camping. These were brought uplargely from the insistence of the Downtown Business Association and the Police.

Such ordinances discriminate against the poor, the homeless, youth, people of color, and those who merely look different. They threaten our civil liberties and offer no real solutions to problems of crime and poverty in our community. They are designed to remove undesirables from the downtown shopping area in the name of progress and "economic revitalization."

Consideration of the No Sitting Ordinance came up last year, after the initial lawsuit held up their ordinance as lawful. Public outcry resulted in the Olympia Council creating a mediation process where opposing camps to the ordinance were brought together for discussion. No consensus was reached on the ordinance, but we all agreed that more benches were necessary downtown. And now they are bringing up the ordinance again with slightly modified language and a new package to make it more appetizing. Don't swallow it!

These kinds of repressive ordinances do not constructively deal with the social problems our community is faced with. The ordinances aimed at the homeless hasn't solved the problem of homelessness, but the council doesn't seem concerned about that. I would like to believe they are; however, their actions speak contrary to their words and their actions have far more lasting effect than their lip service. They have moved the homeless from place to place by first moving them from under the bridge, to out of the parks, to out of the alleys, and now off the sidewalks. By forcing the impoverished to pay fines they hope to ultimately force the homeless and the poor out of Olympia. Poverty and homelessness are problems which deserve permanent solutions, not laws which simply push the victims from public view.

Last year, twenty-eight businesses came forward to voice their opposition to the ordinance. They were: Always Safe & Lock, Brown & Balsley Sign Co., Bulldog News, Cascadia Research, Childhood's End Gallery, Danger Room, Earth Magic, Five Corners, Fuji Teriyaki, Haut Hats, Jamie Lee and Co., K Records, Kill Rock Stars Productions, Kundalini Coffee Co., Levity Cafe, M & M Second Hand Store, Mini Saigon, Old School Pizzeria, Oz Bookstore, Proffitt's Cafe, Ritzi Rags, Tee's Me, MIXX 96 FM, Thousand Cranes Futons, Whole Earth Imports, Working Systems, Inc., Yo Yo Productions.

There isn't community consensus on this issue, not even within the business community. An ordinance that infringes on personal liberties by redefining and limiting public space is divisive, and of course the disenfranchised are going to be on the receiving end of it. No one is free, unless all are free; it shouldn't be up to the City Council to decide (with the urging of the Olympia Downtown Association and the Police) what is freedom and who is free.

Reasons to Oppose It

It's Silly

C'mon should someone really be fined for SITTING DOWN? Oh, but it would be okay if they had a newly purchased beverage from a local cafe in their hand.

It's Scary

This ordinance would put the rights of businesses over the personal liberties and civil rights of real beings, people. It effectively puts a dollar value on your freedom!

Furthermore, inanimate objects on the sidewalks like newspaper boxes, garbage cans, lightpoles, etc. will have more rights to use the sidewalk than you or I!

Do you trust the Police with another law?

It's Redundant

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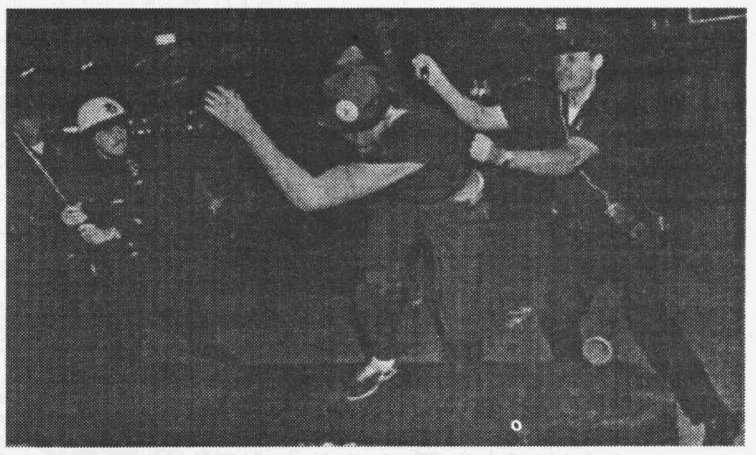

THE FUTURE OF OLYMPIA?

The Olympia City Council will once again try to pass a No Sitting On The Sidewalk Ordinance because the businesses and the police want it!

. . . AND SO IT BEGINS

June 10, 1997 7pm at Oly City Hall

People shouldn't be fined for sitting. Let *everyone* know the sidewalks belong to the people. Come to the city council meeting and express your outrage or call them at 753-8450.

SITTING IS NOT A CRIME!

Call CopWatch at 352-6543 to get involved.

June Events at Liberation Cafe

June 5, Thursday *- 7pm* - **Michael Ellner, lecture with an expert in alternative theories of AIDS causes and founder of HEAL.**

June 7, Saturday *- 7pm* - **Musical Benefit for Foxfire convention! With Reva,Chelsea Rose, Diamonds Into Coal, and more.**

June 13, Friday *- 7pm* - **Benefit for Books To Prisoners. Black Kitty Productions presents music by Sandman,Tersa Rian, 1,000 Diving Robots, and Dream Kitchen. $3-5. Bring Stamps!**

June 20, Friday *- 7pm* - **Sheila Crofut. Returned Peace Corps volunteer speaks on the Czech Republic and Eastern Europe: "Post-communist" societies, problems and possibilities.**

June 21, Saturday *- 5pm - Aumento Ya!* **(A Raise Now!) Video showing. Presentation on PCUN's boycott of Gardenburger by the Oly Farmworkers Justice Committee and observers at NORPAC farms.**

June 27, Friday *- 8pm sharp* **- Live Music! City Limits presents Timothy Hull, Evan Brubaker, Jessica Porter, and Autumn Dial. $3-5 Sliding Scale.**

Weekly Events:

Mon. 7pm: free Spanish Class; Thurs. 3pm: Books To Prisoners; Thurs. 7pm: Liberation Cafe meetings; Thurs. 7pm: Olympia Aids Prevention Projects meeting; Sat. 4pm: Foxfire Women's Convention planning meeting; Sun. 6pm: Youth Liberation Front meeting.

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Legislating Poverty

Patricia Imani

Note: There are countless abuses stemming from policies that came through last years welfare reform legislation. This article is in no way a complete critique of those policies, rather it focuses on abuses within the workfare programs.

Workfare

With last year's federal welfare deform legislation, women, and a far lesser number of men, who are unable to secure employment after two years of participation in Aid to Families with Dependent Children programs are to be forced into substandard labor conditions through the implementation of workfare programs.

Legislators have touted workfare programs as a means for women to repay their grants while creating opportunities for job training.

However, as stated by Sandra Robertson in *Women and Children Last*:

"The possibility of on-the-job training is a pretense because one only gets the most menial jobs... If people do not get some training their skills are not marketable. Workfare is not moving women from point A to points B or C. Workfare is abusive and exploitive of poor people. There is very little difference between workfare and slavery!"

The purpose of any training/work program overseen by DSHS should be to provide women with a means of escaping poverty by expanding their options for living wage employment. However welfare policies specifically restrict women to training that will place them into the most *immediate job possible*. Long term education and training options, which have statistically shown the most promise for living wage employment, are restricted, if not specifically forbidden.

Given these restrictions in education and training choices, it is likely the most economically isolated will remain on AFDC programs after the two year limit (as has always been the case), moving from the status of assistance recipient to workfare victim.

Public agencies and private businesses are lining up at the gate in order to cash in on this new order of cheap laborers.

The Minimum Wage Debate

At state and federal levels, the question is being debated as to whether women in workfare programs are covered by the Fair Labor Standards Act which covers equal pay for equal work standards and guarantees workers a federal minimum wage of $4.75 per hour. Well, most with any common sense would assume that workers in workfare programs would be protected by these standards just as other workers. Rationale: Women working in workfare programs are U.S. workers, U.S. Workers are entitled to minimum wage standards, Women working in workfare programs are entitled to minimum wage standards.

What corrupts this thinking? We forgot to consider these factors in our reasoning: We forgot that women on welfare are considered sub human, we forgot about how the dynamics of misogyny and prevailing prejudices towards impoverished peoples play into the welfare deform issue - impoverished mothers receiving income assistance through AFDC programs are one of the most hated demographic groups in the United States. Government and media have reinforced these messages to the U.S. mainstream with intent.

Many failed to recognize that the main function of recent welfare deform legislation was to force the most vulnerable pool of reserve workers into substandard wage labor, and weaken the organizing power of U.S. workers in general, in order to create favorable conditions for increases in capital gains. In order to carry out this goal, legislators have relied on an ideology of hate, stigmatizing impoverished women in need of assistance, in the hope that everyone will simply turn their heads while they attempt to breach all standards of civil rights law in the implementation of their pro-poverty, unfair and unequal doctrine.

In one moment of hope, the U.S. Department of Labor recently argued that women in workfare situations are indeed protected by the Fair Labor Standards Act and are entitled to minimum wage standards. Thus far Clinton has supported that interpretation, but has no immediate plans to place the interpretation into policy or provide adequate procedures for enforcement. Where abuses occur, the Department of Labor should have the authority to challenge the abuse in court, but its power is limited without clear policy and enforcement structures. And as they continue to stall, Republicans in the House are angry with the interpretation and have promised to propose legislation that would specifically exempt workfare victims from the Fair Labor Standards Act.

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Democrats are also upset at the interpretation: Florida Gov. Lawton Chiles stated that if minimum wage protections were to apply, it would "destroy the delicate blueprint" of welfare reform (read "exploitation") his state had planned on implementing.

Exemption from the Fair Labor Standards Act would enable states to 'pay' women in workfare programs wages 20% to 60% of the minimum wage standard, using monthly grant amounts as a base to measure wages.

The Role of the Unions

In New York, union busting mayor Rudolph Giuliani has used workers within the Work Experience Program (WEP) to reduce city operating budgets, replacing the cities union workers with workers from workfare programs. The group Workfairness has been busy organizing the workfare victims, supporting their rights to the same union protections other city workers have, which include minimum wages of $8 - $10 an hour. Workfairness has gained the support of union leaders in this endeavor.

The city's workfare abuse program was challenged in the courts and, according to Workers World News Service "Justice Jane Solomon found that the city's policy violates state prevailing-wage requirements...workfare workers are covered under the New York constitution and state law".

The decision helps to protect current city workers from being replaced by forced laborers in the workfare program, and , as stated by William Mason, Workfairness organizer and plaintiff in the case, the decision is " one nail in the coffin of workfare-slave labor".

The question remains if union organizers are supporting the workfare victims because of genuine concerns for their well being as workers, or if primary concerns lie in saving their own jobs. Not to drown the fire of solidarity here, but it is unlikely the city will have any use for workfare workers in those positions once their rights for equal pay for equal work are secured.

In any case, the efforts of Workfairness in encouraging coalition between the unions and workfare workers offers a solid strategy for resistance. Hopefully the organizing efforts will continue on a larger scale, offering workfare victims a means to bargain collectively for fair wages.

What Would Be Fair?

Programs that give women the freedom to choose their education and training according to their visions and strengths, training and education that focus on permanent living wage jobs, actual pay with no reductions in grants until the family is at least 20% above poverty and state need levels, the right to future income assistance in the event of lay-off where they do not qualify for unemployment benefits, access to quality and affordable child care, affirmative action for all poverty victims, a guaranteed income . . . at the very least inclusion in basic civil rights laws that have already been won through ages of struggle.

I encourage all to contact legislators at federal, as well as state levels, to ensure those within workfare programs be protected by the Fair Labor Standards Act.

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Columbia River Gorge Transition Lands

Clearcuts *Are* Clearcuts!

Paul Roland

A well-known environmental photographer, Daniel Dancer, claims to be protecting an area of intact old-growth oak forest in the Columbia River Gorge. But long-time environmental activists in the Gorge say Dancer's self-proclaimed "environmentally-sensitive" Rowena Wilds subdivision is nothing more than real estate speculation under an "eco-friendly" cover. The planned 170-acre development adjoins the popular Tom McCall Nature Preserve and the Gorge Scenic Area in the heart of the Rowena Creek drainage a few miles east of Mosier, Oregon.

The area is in the unique "transition zone," from dry eastern scrub to west-side conifer - largely Oregon White Oak woodlands and savannah. It's been called one of Oregon's most endangered ecosystems by the Oregon Biodiversity Project. Wasco County is currently engaged in a study of the transition lands to determine future development patterns and ways to conserve natural resources, including oak woodlands.

Dennis White, Conservation Director of the Columbia Gorge Audobon Society says that some trees on the subdivision site are probably 800 years old, which would make them among the oldest living beings in the state. According to the Rowena Wilds Action Committee, "The transition lands have been targeted by land speculators and developers to be the next Gorge land rush area."

Dancer's work has been featured in a number of environmental publications, posters and the highly-regarded book *Clearcut: The Tragedy of Industrial Forestry*. As vice-president of Gorge Audobon, he once worked with many of those now opposing his development plans. Dancer, then-President Jay Letto, and three others left the group in 1995 under disputed circumstances. Letto said they left simply "because of differences in strategy with other board members." However, an ad-hoc group of Gorge activists, including members of Audobon, the Columbia Gorge Coalition, and Friends of White Salmon, say those differences go to the heart of the current conflict over Rowena Wilds.

In an *Earth First! Journal* article last year called "Subdivide and Conquer," the group (which now calls itself the Rowena Wilds Action Committee) accused Dancer and Letto of meeting secretly with a developer who was planning a large subdivision along the White Salmon National Scenic River on the Washington side of the Gorge. Later, according to the article, they attempted to discourage Audobon from appealing the development. The subdivision was finally defeated by Audobon after Dancer and Letto had moved on after receiving a vote of 'no confidence' from the board.

In the Rowena Wilds case, Dancer claims that his is the most environmentally responsible course, because the site was bound to be developed anyway, by someone less scrupulous. In a letter to the *Earth First! Journal*, he said that after buying it to "keep it out of the hands of two big time Portland developers who were interested in the property" and "when all other protective scenarios were exhausted, I decided to attempt a small-scale, 'environmentally sensitive' development rather than sit and watch the land I loved be brutalized on a larger scale."

Nonsense, says the Audobon's White, who runs Oakridge Organic Orchards near White Salmon, Washington with his wife Bonnie. "That's just 'green-washing' for more development of our rural lands. He had at least two years to put together a serious land preservation effort, instead of just developing it himself. He's a photographer - he could have put together a slide-show and gone around with it to get support for protection of the oak forests. He could have planned a small cluster of houses and protected a large, intact area, instead of breaking up the land into little pieces. "Let's face it, the kind of development he's doing is very attractive to the upscale market-there may even be more money in subdividing somewhat fewer and larger lots, especially billed as an 'eco-sensitive' community next to the Gorge Scenic Area."

The site had previously been approved for a 21-unit subdivision, which the developer abandoned for financial reasons. Dancer's eight lots of 10-20 acres average over $100,000 each.

Dancer claims a set of protective "covenants" will limit tree-cutting, restrict house placement and size, and minimize other impacts on the environment. Opponents point out that such covenants have no force of law behind them, and only last as long as the homeowners association holds together. They also say the cumulative impact of houses, roads, driveways, sewer-phone-electric lines, cars, pets and general human presence will permanently disturb the wildlife and ecosystem.

There is also a difference of opinion on how many lots are actually being planned (Dancer's critics say he's changed the original plans around and now has as many as 12 buildable lots). Dennis White insists that Dancer's development is indicative of bigger changes happening in the Gorge.

"With the Scenic Area, the 'general management' areas administered by the Gorge Commission are considered less sensitive and therefore developable, and the price of land there is skyrocketing. That makes all the lands bordering the Scenic Area, like Dancer's subdivision, also very valuable. "Long-time residents of the Gorge can't afford to keep living there, and wealthy outsiders, with no real connection to the history and ecosystem of the area, are moving in. A whole new range of opportunities for predatory land speculators has opened up."

Groups like Friends of the Gorge which lobbied for the Scenic Area and some of whose members have also bought land in the Gorge, seem to be buying into the "conservation through (kinder, gentler) development" idea, especially in the face of even more predatory speculation likely if the Gorge Commission is defunded by the state legislature as threatened. It's apparently left to a few committed local residents to seek stronger, more comprehensive protection, using whatever land-use laws, community support and public pressure tactics are available.

Letto and Dancer now head a group called the "Central Cascades Alliance." Perhaps ironically, the group's stated mission is "...to link existing wildlife reserves by establishing connecting corridors and buffer zones across a jigsaw puzzle of public and private lands in order to protect the wilderness that sustains our ecosystems. Quite literally, we must 'link it or lose it.'"

If the Rowena Creek riparian area is indeed, as its defenders claim, an important wildlife corridor leading into Tom McCall Preserve and down to the river, particularly for the area's elk herd, Dancer's group might want to take a hard look at the long-term potential impacts of a housing development there.

On May 5, the third and final phase of the subdivision plan was approved by the Wasco County Planning Commission. Several lots have still not been sold, and the Rowena Wilds Action Committee plans continued public pressure and action.

For more information about this and other Gorge issues, contact the group at 541/478-3427, or Dennis and Bonnie White at 509/493-3891.

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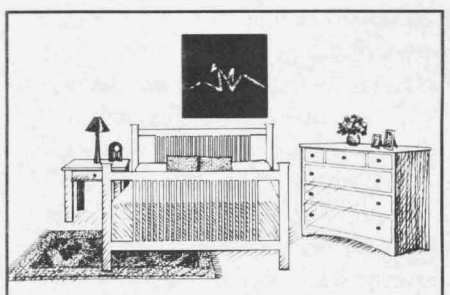
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Paul Goodman

Pragmatic Decentralist and Incremental Anarchist

Jess Grant

"A manager has to learn to harden his heart and stupefy his good sense."
-- Paul Goodman, People or Personnel

When Ted J. Kaczynski, known to most Americans as The Unabomber, was arrested at his Montana cabin, Federal agents reportedly found two books there. They were God's *The Bible* and Paul Goodman's *Growing Up Absurd*. While this probably doesn't recommend him to most people (Goodman, that is - most people already have pretty set ideas about God and The Unabomber), it does speak in a rather perverse way to his lasting influence on the American political landscape.

Goodman did not achieve any notoriety or audience until the 1960's, when the ideas he'd been propounding for decades finally caught on with the counterculture and anti-war movement. His career as a writer had been eclipsed by his insistence on living life in ways that were consistent with his moral principles. Much as Thoreau grappled with the issues of slavery and the Civil War a century earlier, Goodman's conscience was racked by the dilemma that World War II posed. The Fascist threat could not simply be ignored, yet his budding political instincts would not let him join the war effort, which he saw as a predictable culmination of decades of international bellicosity.

All through the thirties he played the part of an apolitical artist, and in the Spring of 1942, with the publication of his novel, *The Grand Piano*, he seemed on the verge of literary success. But the outbreak of WWII forced him to take a stand against the war and the State, and this stand set him at odds with the liberal literary establishment, sabotaging his career irreparably. He published prolifically through the fifties yet remained profoundly obscure. It was not until Growing Up Absurd was published in 1959 that he finally had the bestseller that had so long escaped him. The book brought him a new and rapt audience, but it also cemented his career as a social critic rather than "free artist." As biographer Taylor Stoehr has suggested, "in the end he regretted his choice, though he continued to think it had been his duty to make it."

Goodman was conversant in many academic disciplines, writing on such diverse topics as education, urban planning, literature, and Gestalt therapy. *The May Pamphlet* is his most explicitly anarchist tract, yet all his work is suffused with the spirit of pragmatic decentralism. Goodman was not one to propose grand solutions. He preferred to suggest social experiments that could easily be put into practice by small groups and neighborhoods. He tried to foster a way of thinking that was both liberating and realistic, anarchist yet incremental. His refusal to be dogmatic sometimes infuriated the radicals, much in the same way that his utopianism irritated the liberals.

In his book *People or Personnel*, Goodman concentrated on the issue of centralization as a mode of social organization. "...I am not proposing a system...it is improbable that there could be a single appropriate style of organization or economy to fit all the functions of society...Rather it seems to me as follows. We are in a period of excessive centralization...I shall try to demonstrate that in many functions this style is economically inefficient, technologically unnecessary, and humanly damaging. Therefore we might adopt a political maxim: to decentralize where, how and how much is expedient. But where, how, and how much are empirical questions. They require research and experiment."

His critique of centralized or hierarchical organizations is multi-faceted and specific. In Goodman's view, both managers and workers suffer within this system of organization. It dehumanizes everyone involved, from the CEO to the line worker. "There are intrinsic difficulties in information and feedback. Being at a desk in headquarters, a manager must depend on the information that is communicated upward from the field...At each level of transmission upward the information must be abstracted and processed in order to be usable by the superior. Every such product is an approximation, and some properties are left out altogether. With the accumulation of mere approximations and omissions, the information received by the manager is often useless or false. Thus he becomes objectively stupider about his business."

He preferred to work around the edges. where real people with scarce resources could get things done.

But managers are worse than simply "stupid." Goodman perceives them to be as powerless as their subordinates in many cases. "During the activist Kennedy regime, frustration was continually expressed because, somehow, the Cabinet and the President himself were powerless. Just so the heads of giant corporations and of apparently autonomous universities claim that they are powerless to alter policies that they say they disapprove of. It is inherent in centralization that powerlessness spreads from the bottom to the top."

The drudgery of compartmentalized labor, robbed of its variety and intrinsic pleasure, is even more stultifying when combined with the line workers' typical lack of institutional power. "Subordinates tend to become stupider more rapidly and directly, simply because they cannot learn anything by exercising initiative and taking responsibility. Stultification occurs acutely when a man is bright and sees a better way to do something, but must follow a worse directive; this is a grim experience and cannot be thrice repeated without going numb. Every top-down system is grounded in the assumption that each man is competent in the task assigned to him but that he has no notions about anything else or about the whole operation. But in fact every man has all kinds of notions, some vague and foolish, some clear and critical. By the time that a man is indeed thinking only about his own detail, he has become a stupid ox indeed."

But centralized organizations are not just hard on the people who belong to them. According to Goodman, the group's mission, it's product or service, is hopelessly compromised by the very system employed. This is caused in part by the inevitable contradiction between the goals of management and workers. "Managers, we have seen, work hard and long. The job is their show and they must think it worthwhile and useful. Subordinates, however, are restricted in both initiative and self-expression and their motivation is likely to be merely extrinsic, rise in status and salary. Extrinsic motivation confuses the doing of a task even further, for role playing and the appearance of performance are as good as the real thing...Conversely, management feels no loyalty to the subordinates, for the group is bound together not by a common enterprise but only by extrinsic rewards...(I)f the purpose of the organization is to provide useful goods and services, the cross purposes of management and subordinates, the one wanting to do a job and the others wanting to get a raise, can be a serious obstacle."

Goodman is none too fond of industrial psychologists, those who today promote concepts like Total Quality Management (TQM). "The psychologists are decentralist by disposition and have taught a wisdom opposite to the time-motion studies of 'scientific business management.' Rather than subdividing the workman further and departmentalizing further, they have urged that it is efficient to allow more choice and leeway, to ask for suggestions from below, to increase 'belonging.' Needless to say, our industrial psychologists cannot pursue their instincts to the logical conclusion, workers' management."

Implicit in this critique of centralized organizations is a deep belief in people's capacity for initiative, creativity, and self-management. Even as he rages against the depredations of hierarchy, he expresses a limitless faith in the fundamental goodness of human nature. Witness this sterling example of his ability to separate the system from the humans that populate it. "...I cannot otherwise explain to myself how the people I meet, both directors and subordinates, who are obviously intelligent, honest, well intentioned, and fairly imaginative, nevertheless work so incredibly dully and stupidly, and produce products that are routine or disastrous... So far below human capability. My conclusion is that it must be the conditions of the work itself."

Ultimately, though, it is society at large that pays the bill for our centralized dysfunction. The social and environmental costs of these poorly managed endeavors are both huge and unpredictable. Planning as we know it is, to Goodman, worse than useless. "No 'utopian' planner, following a dogmatic blueprint, would ever dare, or want, to institute such radical and rapid changes in the social pattern and in the geography of the country as the cars, TV, air travel, computers, the drive to higher education, have brought about in a generation or less...the products and effects pour as if from systems running for their own sake. But this is not, in my opinion, because there is not enough planning. It is that the planners, managers, and producers are not free and choosing human beings in relation to what they are doing. To achieve communal, artistic, and scientific products, humanity must be built into an enterprise at every step; but in our enterprises, human choice is ceasing to operate at any step. Trapped in a system, people carry on functions often fraught with colossal or catastrophic consequences without being personally engaged in the functions at all. They are personnel."

Despite his optimistic view of human nature, Paul Goodman was profoundly cynical about our culture's ability to right it's course. The centralizing tendency within 20th century American government and industry was a frightening juggernaut from which Goodman could see little hope of escape. His prolific suggestions about how we might concretely, incrementally change our lives for the better (many of which are described in the multiple appendices of People or Personnel) were derided as reformist by the revolutionaries and utopian by the liberals, and consequently few of them were enacted. Yet they remain as fresh and useful today as when they were suggested during his lifetime.

He preferred to work around the edges, where real people with scarce resources could get things done. Philosophically consistent, he could see no way to relieve the negative effects of centralization using centralized means. One could not expect the beast to slay itself. "Frankly, I do not think there is a remedy within our present centralized style of social organization...No matter how benevolent the goals, the style of execution is dehumanizing. So long as people are transformed into personnel...we cannot expect the organizations to be internally humanized by their persons, for there are no persons (I need hardly draw the analogy to Eichmann.) And evidently there is little hope from external regulation, for the 'citizenry' is likewise transformed..."

Forward to the Past: The New Puritanism

Clara Fraser

Repent, all ye sinners. The age of neo-prudery is upon us and fire and brimstone await. The scarlet letter, that shameful badge of Adultery, has returned to berate us.

The media wallows these days in news of people "cheating" on their state-approved significant others. Dick Morris confesses, Bill Cosby apologizes, Madonna announces a turn to virtue, and talk show hosts and counselors moralize about betrayal and deceit, as if departure from monogamy is high treason.

Just why is adultery the number one Thou Shalt Not?

Here's the clue. Cheating is a financial term, and it can only be applied to sexual relationships if female and male bodies are seen as personal property which, in this commodity-ruled patriarchy, they are, since paternity still dictates who inherits what. In today's climate of economic anxiety and blind narcissism, the noxious idea that people can own people (as in slavery) erupts like a beanstalk.

But crass reality must be dressed up if medieval mores are to sell. So here comes God to ordain fidelity to be right and fornication (extracurricular) wrong.

For the nonbelievers, pop culture takes over. Jealousy is not even depicted as mercenary or egomaniacal or superpossessive any more. It's currently noble. The good wife who uses any bloody means necessary to ward off interlopers, la Fatal Attraction, is a movie cliche.

What's more, celibacy is the prescription du jour even for singles, especially females, teenagers, and the poor. The new welfare destruction bill allots not one penny for jobs, but provides millions to push abstinence!

The flight from the more relaxed practices of many people is part of a larger retrenchment. Renewed sexual conservatism is rooted in and nurtures the general regis, the back sliding more pronounced than in the mass movements of the '60s, which have all shapeshifted into their veritable opposites.

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For instance. When feminists first proclaimed "the personal is political," we hardly expected that the personal would replace the political, with tawdry gossip about officials' bedroom peccadilloes substituting for discussion of their policies and becoming the basis for measuring their "character"! Certainly, we condemn sex harassment, but truly consenting behavior is nobody else's business, and rarely reveals much about someone's integrity or worth.

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Likewise, when street queers and drag queens revolted at the Stonewall Inn in 1969, the upsurge they set off prioritized sexual liberation as a matter of principle. They correctly identified homophobia as key to deification of the traditional family. But now the movement focuses on sexual self-policing and respectability mongering.

Gay pacesetters demand entrance into the heavenly domain of bourgeois wedded bliss, as gay couples plead they are straighter than straights, less inclined to "stray" or (gasp) divorce. Granted, the right of gays to marry is legitimate, but how foolish to elevate it to First Cause and how ironic, at a time when old-school marriage is exitting the stage of history.

The civil rights movement, for its part, started out fired up to abolish the color line and gain total integration, not assimilation, but access to every civic benefit.

Yet, after decades of backlash, the African American cause has largely subsided into cultural nationalism, which stresses differences with other races and with Jews rather than human similarities. It glamorizes separatism and unrealistically champions Black business as the solution to ghetto poverty. This ideology is disastrous, because when people of color remove themselves from their working class sisters and brothers, they remove an essential leadership sector from the common struggle of all the have-nots.

Nationalism, moveover, is infused inevitably with sexist baggage, relegating women to inferior status and outdoing the white establishment in condemning homosexuality.

All right, you've heard it from me before. Reform most grow into revolution or twist into reaction. It's an immutable law of nature that things go forward or backward. At the moment, society is headed cataclysmically in the wrong direction.

To a socialist, personal relations should be symbolized by openness, not a chastity belt. To a socialist, it's not the market that should be free but love.

Feminist commentator Clara Fraser, author of the forthcoming book of essays "Revolution, She Wrote," appears quarterly in the Freedom Socialist.

Swimsuits

Not only stupid, but harmful!

Dave Zink

Modesty: noun. 1) Lack of excesses and pretensions. 2) Freedom from vanity, egotism, extravagance. 3) Having regard for decencies of behavior, speech, etc. 4) Simplicity, moderation.

In a recent Sunday supplement of the *Tacoma News Tribune*, I found an article titled "Swimsuit options grow as baby boom market expands". Written by Denise Cowle of the Knight-Ridder News Agency, the article sheds some light on the fashion industry, and how it preys upon our fears to make mega-profits.

"Forget April", the article begins, May is easily the cruelest month."

- Huh? After a long drizzly winter, why should the onset of beautiful weather possibly be cruel? Why should we fear it?

- Because that's when thousands of women go to the store to buy new outfits for the summer swim scene. "Society puts a lot of pressure on women", says Jan Wolkov, a co-owner of a store specializing in swim wear, "not accepting us as we are."

Now, clothing has a definite function. We need it to protect us from inclement weather. It comes in pretty handy on a cold day. But what does a swimsuit protect us from?! Ask yourself: "Is there anything as **useless** as a swimsuit?" "Do I *really* want to - *need* to wear this thing?" "Why?" "Who is this serving?" "Who profits?"

Take a close look at the tag on the swim suit you're thinking about buying. Chances are its made in some third world sweat-shop where workers are paid poverty-level wages. Then these things are marketed in ways that engenders doubt and anxiety about our physical appearance. The prime objective of corporations is **profit**, and the swim-wear industry is no exception. The name of the game is **exploitation**, from start to finish.

The main reason - perhaps the only reason - that you'll come up with is: Modesty. But is that what the fashion industry has in mind? "We try to draw attention to certain areas by fooling the eye", says the owner of a store specializing in "upscale designer suits". Later in the article, we are advised that "As for the bosom: **That's** the feature to flaunt this year."

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The simple fact of the matter is that clothing-mandatory beaches & pools are **not** modest environments. All the ogling and innuendoes that typically go on at these places gives them an unwholesome "meat-market" feeling.

Swim suits are designed to "sexualize": to draw attention to certain parts of the anatomy, to tease. At the same time, they exclude fresh air from those very parts. A recent advisory from the *Canadian Medical Post* of Toronto, Ontario, states that the free circulation of fresh air can help kill opportunistic pathogens that cause cystitis, yeast infections, and other conditions.

This, along with the dietary-fad products industry preys upon people's fears and feelings of physical inadequacy. Nearly all fashion magazines emphasize dieting and extreme physical perfection. The fashion industry ignores the linkage between the image of beauty which it promotes and the epidemic of disorders such as anorexia nervosa and bulimia.

As Ms. Cowle states in her article, "Women's swimwear is an $800 million [per year] business in the United States." I contend that these are unethical profits. A con job foisted upon us. So what can we do about it? What is the alternative? **Explore Naturism!** As strange as it may sound at first to those who have never experienced social nudism, nudist resorts are much less sexually-oriented and provocative, and far safer places than their clothing-mandatory counterparts. Its where you will find real modesty.

As Wendy Haaf, the author of a *Canadian Medical Post* advisory points out, "Spending a few days with dozens of average-looking naked people gives one a more realistic measure of normalcy. Naturists have respect for people as they are - all body shapes, sizes, and scars."

It is impossible to put into words the cleansing effect on the mind and feelings when men, women, and children mingle socially and exercise unemcumbered by the "rags of shame". It has a profoundly uplifting, liberatory, some even say "revolutionary" psycho-dynamic effect on people.

"The more the body is seen as natural, normal, and healthy, the more we see ourselves as part of life and the better we will take care of each other," Carl Hild.

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A full summer of fun is coming. Forest Murmurs Travel Club (PO Box 5113, Lacey, WA 98503-0199) will have an information table at Evergreen on Super Saturday. Watch for us!

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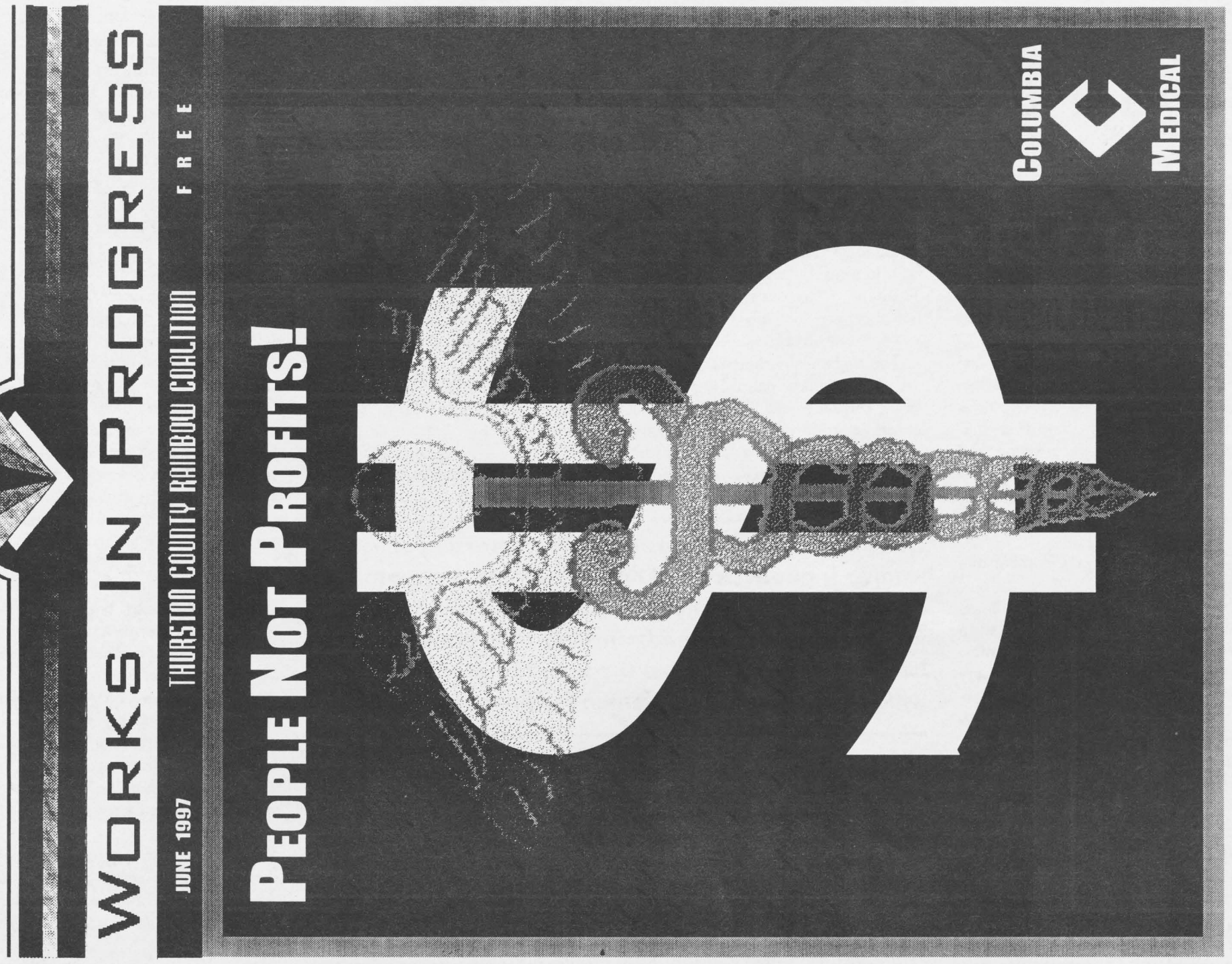

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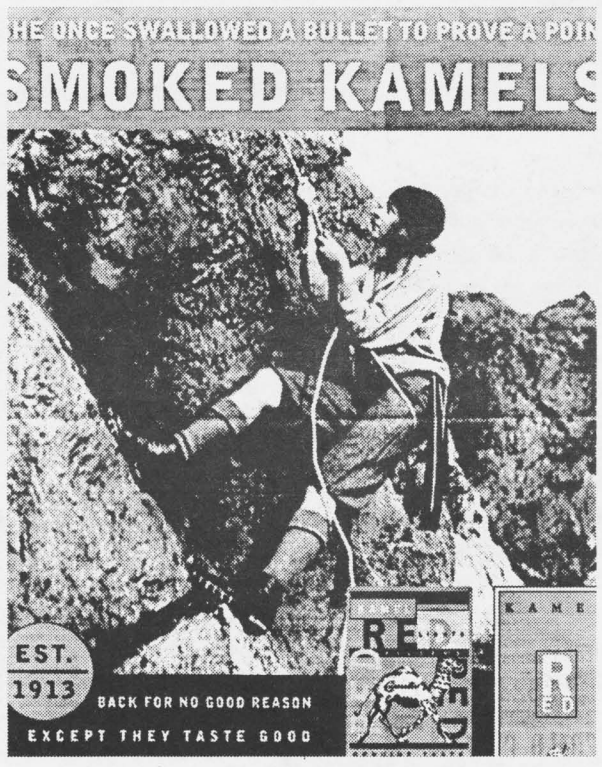

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